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Mrs. Charles L. Bailey,
[illegible]
Merchantville, Penna.

Dear Mother:

Thank you very much for your note attached to Rupert's letter. I am writing to her that it will be impossible for me to attend their College Commencement. I have to be at Cottstown on June 1st and the Annual Meeting of our Board is held here on the following afternoon.

I hope you got the copies of Morgan's "God's [illegible] Man". In accordance with your instructions in your letter [illegible], I ordered five copies sent to you and one to Luke. I enclose the bill. As you see, we got one-third off.

[illegible] happy and well as usual. [illegible] as you [illegible] your [illegible] goes up to her [illegible] [illegible] George.

Very lovingly yours,

[illegible]

The following incidents are related by the Reverend James W. Runciman, B.D., of the Church of Scotland at Udaipur, India. The quotation is from - "Life and Work," The Record of the Church of Scotland for November 1930.

"The scene is a hot street corner in the evening. A crowd of all castes, with a few Brahmans at clean distance on the outskirts. The missionary, sensing a question in the hearts of the people, asks if there is anything he can explain. Immediately the Brahmans push through the crowd.

"'Yes, sahib,' they say, 'there is a question. Here in this Native State there are four Englishmen; three of them hold their appointments from the Imperial Government, or from the Raja, and are secure. We Hindus and Mohammedans can own land and property here. You alone of all the people in this State have no citizen rights; and yet, when we see you walking in our bazaar, we say, 'There goes the only free man in this State.' Padri Sahib, tell us! What is it you have that we have not? for it is <u>that</u> we want.'

"Again a Native State. A beautiful garden below the shadow of the palace. The <u>elite</u> of the State gathered to hear one of India's leading nationalists, a Cambridge and Moscow graduate. The occasion of his visit was really that something might be done to stop a movement towards Christianity that had begun among the hill people of the State. The missionary, nevertheless, was invited to attend.

"On his arrival on the scene, one of those topsy-turvy things happened that draw one's heart to the Indian - the missionary was asked to preside over the meeting. A laughing protest only evoked the assurance from the speaker, 'Nothing would give me greater pleasure than to have a Scottish missionary as my chairman.'

"So it was arranged, and for two hours we listened enthralled to the passionate outpourings of a man's soul. In biting words, out of a sore heart, the speaker exposed and stirred every sore in the life of the land. None was spared - Brahman or outcaste, king or subject, Hindu or Christian, Briton or Indian. From one point of view it was abuse, virulent; from the other it was a cry.

"At the close, he quietly thanked his audience in these words: 'I have to thank you all for allowing me to speak as I have done for two hours, abusing all that you hold most dear. But you must have noted that there was one whom I did not even criticize. And, indeed, he is above all my criticism, or any man's - the Lovely Lord Christ.'"

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The Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D.D.,
[illegible] North Street,
Auburn, N. Y.

My Dear Uncle Charlie:-

I was delighted to get your note some time ago, and I read part of it to Mr. Fenn, who was very happy to hear that his persuasion had helped you to see the opportunity and the duty of the work at Auburn. I knew it would be just as it has turned out, only I still insist that you and Aunt Clara are wronging the [illegible] help criticising the [illegible] you now to go on with the work next year, and I only wish I could come up and take the [illegible] with you. I am sure there is [illegible] in the coming new.

With reference to the missionary books, I am sending two little pamphlets prepared by Dr. Kelsey, and also a list prepared by a friend of mine in Philadelphia, [illegible] These lists, however, contain too many books for the young man [illegible] It is easier to suggest one hundred than it is [illegible] books of the sort that will give him material for missionary sermons, and furnish him with new lines of thought. I think I would suggest Dr. Dennis's "[illegible]," Walsh's "Heroes [illegible]," and "Modern Heroes on the Mission Field;" Smith's "Short History of Christian Missions;" and Kellogg's "Comparative Religion." This makes six books, as Dr. Dennis's book is in two volumes. It has been very hard to pick out these books, and it is with great reluctance that I have omitted the Reports of the Ecumenical Conference, and the London Conference of 1888. These can be got so cheap that they might be added to the books I have mentioned, and so added, he would have a good working missionary library. It is possible that the amount of money that the books I have suggested would cost, might be better spent in purchasing two libraries which have been prepared in such a way

[illegible] the pressure brought to bear upon Dr. Riggs to get him [illegible] Auburn, we have [illegible] they succeed or may not according to the will of God.

You will rejoice to know that there seems to be every prospect of our coming through the year without deficit.

I hope that you and Aunt Clara are both well. There is one bad thing about your being up at Auburn, and that is, we do not see as much of you as in other days. Mr. Tom and I will begin to suggest our advice to you to go up to the Seminary if it keeps you from ever dropping in here.

We are all busy getting ready for the Assembly now, and hope to have Dr. Brown back in time for the meeting. He will come, I am sure, in the fullness of a great message. You will be down here then of course, and we shall be able to see something of you.

With a great deal of love to Aunt Clara and yourself,

Very affectionately yours,

April 24th, 1902.

Miss Mary Caswell,

Wellesley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Caswell:-

I thank you very much for your kind note of the 22nd received yesterday. I shall be on hand twenty minutes before the service on Sunday morning.

With reference to the Sunday afternoon meeting, I would say that I shall be very glad to speak to the Christian Association at that time. If they have any special subject on which they would like me to speak, I hope some one of them will let me know at the Chapel on Sunday morning. As for the Vesper service, of course I shall be glad to be there also, if Miss Hazard desires.

Looking forward with pleasure to my visit, I am,

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Very sincerely yours,

April 24th, 1902.

Professor Frank K. Sanders,
Drawer Four, Yale Station,
New Haven, Conn.

My Dear Professor Sanders:-

Your kind note of April 17th has been received, and I shall be glad indeed to deliver the Lectures next year before the Divinity School, in response to your cordial invitation. I am not sure that the subject as you phrase it exactly covers the idea that I got from our brief talk together; but as you speak of determining later the specific theme or themes, doubtless the announcement of a general subject would not fix too definitely now the exact line of thought of the Lectures. If the general theme you suggest indicates precisely what you want presented, then of course I can adjust my thought to your desire.

The more I have thought about these Lectures, the more the two names that I suggested commend themselves to me as the most attractive, namely, Raymond Lull and George Bowen.

Very cordially yours,

April 24th, 1902.

Dr. Bertram V. D. Post,

Beirut, Syria.

My Dear Post:-

I am just beginning to catch up with a lot of back things, and that will explain my long delay in extending my hearty congratulations to you upon your marriage with Miss Hardin. I wish I might have been present; failing, that, I hope some time to be able to go out to Syria to visit you.

With kind regards, and wishing you both a long and most happy life together I am,

Your sincere friend,

April 24th, 1902.

Mr. J. H. Sherrill,

Dansville, Indiana.

Dear Sir:-

I am glad to send by this mail, a copy of my little book "Remember Jesus Christ," in accordance with your request of March 5th; and should be glad to receive "The Open Book," and "The Outline of the New Testament," which you propose to send.

Very truly yours,

P.

April 29th, 1902.

Professor Francis Brown, Ph. D., D. D.,
700 Park Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Brown:

Your kind note of the 26th is just received. The change that you suggest is altogether satisfactory and also the hour I shall look forward accordingly to giving the lectures at five o'clock on the afternoons of November 5th, 7th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, and 24th.

Very sincerely yours,

April 30th, 1902.

The Rev. Robert W. Mason,

De Soto, Mo.

My Dear Bobbie:-

Miss Petrie told me of her visit with you, and gave me the photograph of Mount Princeton, which you so kindly sent. It was a pleasure to hear from you again, and I hope that you and Mrs. Mason are both very well.

With cordial regards.

Very sincerely yours,

April 30th, 1902.

Mrs. B. H. Brainerd,
1048 North Halstead Street,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Mother Brainard:-

It was a great pleasure to get your note about the Student Missionary Farewell Meeting in the Church of the Covenant. We have rejoiced to get such a good lot of men from McCormick this year, and only wish every seminary had sent as many. Princeton has done well; and indeed I think we have some one from each of the seminaries except Omaha. But we could have half as many more, I think, as have offered themselves, and I wish myself that we might have got that many.

I hope that you are very well, and that I may see you at Northfield in the Summer. I often recall my visit to Lincoln, and my wading around through your cornfields in the mud, hunting rabbits, and not finding any.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,

April 30th, 1912.

Mrs. Horace Pitkin,
C/o The American Board,
14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

My Dear Mrs. Pitkin:-

Some time ago, Mr. Beach came to see me regarding the proposed biography of Mr. Pitkin, and told me that it was your desire that I should undertake it. I do not need to say that it gave me a great deal of pleasure to learn of this, and that I should count it an honor to undertake a work that would be a real work of love. But I explained to him that it was necessary to have a sort of ~~[illegible]~~ intelligence of contact in order to write a proper biography, and that I could not be altogether sure that I was qualified in this respect to write Mr. Pitkin's Life; but that if you would let me have all the material that has been accumulated, I should be glad to look it over, and if I found I could do it, should be only too glad to undertake it. From one or two rumors that have reached me since, I judge that Mr. Beach communicated this to you, and that you have been gathering the material with the expectation of letting me see it.

I am only writing to tell you that I shall be but too glad to be of any service to you that I can, and that if you have the material or a good part of it in hand now, I shall be very glad to look it over. The Life ought to be prepared and published without unnecessary delay. And in case it seems better that I should not undertake it, it would be well to put all the material into the hands of some one else who might be able to do it as it should be done. It is not that I feel any want of sympathy with your husband's character and work. I know I have that. It is just a doubt whether I know intimately enough the various atmospheres, so to speak, through which he came in his education and development. Some things that I have heard recently, however, make me feel more confidence on

this point than I felt when I talked with Mr. Beach, and mine we can more readily to consider the matter.

With kindest regards to you and your little boy, I am,

Very cordially yours,

F.

May 10th, 1902.

Mr. Charles H. Anderson,

Huntingdon, Penna.

My dear Mr. Anderson:

I received a fortnight ago your kind letter of April 24th, with its enclosures and the accompanying photographs. I have delayed answering, in order to see whether there was anything that I could do, but I do not know of any one who would probably want to acquire a place like yours. The place itself is attractive enough, but anyone able to buy that sort of a place, prefers to go where it is cooler in the Summer, to the Adirondacks or Maine. I shall keep the matter in mind, however, and if I run across any one who could be induced to take it under consideration, I shall be glad to let you know. But I am sorry to say that I don't believe the prospect is bright.

I have a very warm place in my heart for the old country and all the little nooks and valleys of it, and if I were alone would be coming home in the Summer a good deal more, but I pick out some place that will be cool and invigorating for Mrs. Speer and the children, who went last Summer, as they will this, to the woods in Northern New Hampshire on the border of Canada.

I am returning herewith the photogrpahs, which are most attractive and the accompanying letters. It was a real pleasure to hear from you and it would be a pleasure to be of service to you in disposing of this property if I could.

With kind regards to Mrs. Anderson and yourself.

Very cordially yours.

May 15th, 1902.

Miss Caroline Hazard,
Wellesley College.
Wellesley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Hazard:-

I have delayed answering your kind note of April 29th, because I have been in doubt as to whether it will be possible for me to come to Wellesley for September 28th. I really do not think that it will be. But if you do not need to settle it at once, I can let you know a little later. I know how important, however, it is to have these appointments made in advance, and am inclined to think that, in view of the uncertainties of my coming, or rather the probability that I shall not be able to come, it would be better for you to make some other arrangement for that day.

I very greatly enjoyed my last visit to Wellesley, and the three opportunities of speaking to the young women.

With sincere regards.

Very truly yours,

May 16th, 1902.

The Rev. H. C. Bridgman,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Bridgman:-

I return herewith proof of the article for the Congregationalist - Why Fewer Candidates for the Ministry.'

Very sincerely yours,

May 14th, 1902.

Mr. Tissington Tatlow,
12 Trinity College,
Dublin, Ireland.

My Dear Tatlow:-

I received a week ago your good note of April 25th, and shall be happy to help you in any way I can.

With reference to the literature on Mohammedanism, I would suggest your examining the Bibliography at the close of the second volume of the Ecumenical Conference Report. On page 441-2, you will find a list of books on Mohammedanism, and on page 451, on Arabia, on pages 455-6, on Persia, and on 456 on Turkey, Armenia and Syria. In addition to the books mentioned in these lists, I would suggest Sell's "Essays on Islam," The Introduction to Sale's "Koran; Goodell's "Forty Years in the Turkish Empire;" Dwight's "Constantinople;" Hamlin's "My Life and Times;" Syed Ameer Ali's books; Hughes' "Notes on Islam;" and Blyden's "Christianity, Islam and the Negro Race." Naturally there is very little on mission work among Mohammedans, partly because there has been so little comparatively done, and partly because it is impossible to tell of much that has been done without running the risk of imperiling the continuance of the work. You will find some account of our work among the Mohammedans in Persia, in two books, one by Wilson, entitled "The Western Mission," and the other by Bassett, entitled "The Eastern Mission," which contain the histories of our two Missions in Persia. We have a great amount of information in letters and reports here in the offices, which we dare not print. Probably you have seen Jessup's "Kamil," and Muir's "Sweet First Fruits," which are books you ought to read; and there is another book by Muir, very much like "Sweet First Fruits," the name of which I do not recall at the moment. A little book entitled "The Conversion of Nassouh," which is published in England, I think, would interest you also. A good deal has been written in

papers and articles on the subject. I send herewith a report of our Eighth Conference of Mission Boards, in which there is a paper of Dr. Dwight's. You will find a good deal of material on the subject in the Ecumenical Conference Reports, by turning to the Index, and looking at "Mohammedan Lands, "Mohammedans," and "Mohammedanism." I am also sending you a copy of a report which I presented to our Board after returning from a visit to our work in Persia, which deals with the Mohammedan problem. You say you have no books dealing with the Mohammedans in the Turkish Empire, so I suppose you have not read Jessup's "Mohammedan and Missionary Problem," mentioned in the Ecumenical Conference Bibliography. Bosworth Smith you ought to read, although you will probably read to disapprove. I have not written anything on Mohammedanism in Turkey, except a few pages in a chapter on Southern Asia, in "Missions and Politics." There is a full chapter there on "Mohammedanism in Persia. You will find many side lights on Persian Mohammedanism in Browne's books on the Babis, "A Year in Persia," "The Episode of the Bab," and "The New History." I will not be sure about the last name, as I do not have the book by me. We have a good deal of material in the way of scraps and clippings, which would be at your disposal if you were over here.

And I have boxes full of material that would be of use to you in dealing with your second subject, "Missions and Their Critics." But almost all of it is in the natire of magazine articles, newspaper clippings, pamphlets, etc. You will find criticisms of Missions in the following books: Michie's "A Missionary in China," and "China and Christianity." Miss Kingsley's "Travels in West Africa," Curzon's "Problems of the Far East," Norman's "Peoples and Politics in the Far East," Johnson's "Reality Versus Romance in South Africa," Robinson's "Nigeria," Little's "Mount Omi and Beyond," Stafford Ransom's "Japan in Transition." And the list might be almost indefinitely prolonged; but with such a perfect mountain of gall and bitterness as Dr. Cust's books provide, makes the attempt to gather criticisms elsewhere almost superfluous. Doubtless you know of his three books,

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"Missionary Methods," "Notes on Missionary Subjects," and "The Gospel Message." Of Canon Taylor's criticisms of Missions, of course you know also. You can doubtless find them in the original articles I think in The Fortnightly, perhaps it was in The Contemporary; and if you have access to a file of the Church Missionary Intelligencer, you will find there a number of sharp replies. One of the best places to go, both for criticisms and for answers, is the third volume of the History of the Church Missionary Society. A few books by others than missionaries containing just appreciations of the work of the missionaries, are Holcomb's "The Real Chinese Question;" Dyer Ball's "Things Chinese;" Hallock's "One Thousand Miles on an Elephant;" Lawrence's "Modern Missions in the East;" and I suppose Brinkley's great book on Japan, which is out, but which I have not seen. Captain Brinkley is editor of the Japan Mail, a paper that has always been manifestly fair toward missionaries. You will find a good deal of apologetic material in Young's "Success of Christian Missions;" Liggins' "Great Value and Success of Christian Missions;" Ellinwood's "Questions and Phases of Modern Missions;" and of course in Dennis's "Christian Missions and Social Progress." As for China and the criticisms arising from the situation there, Holcomb's book already referred to is useful. An outspoken little book is Hawks-Potts' "Outbreak in China." But the enclycopedic is, Smith's "China in Convulsion." I am sending you a number of little leaflets which we have published here, which may be of use to you.

Probably you have seen Donald Frazer's article in the Missionary Record of 1901, showing how missionaries are often blamed for damage that others have done.

I just sent to the printer yesterday, manuscript of a book entitled "Missionary Principles and Practice," which deals in large part with the criticisms which have been made on Missions within the last few years. This book will not be out until Fall.

Please let me know at any time of any way in which I can be of any service to you. Mrs. Speer would want to join in sending kindest regards to you, and I know I may speak also for Elliott and Margaret, who are both very strong and happy

youngsters.

Very cordially yours,

May 16th, 1902.

Miss Catherine Utley,

Bryn Mawr, Penna.

My Dear Miss Utley:

I am very sorry, but it will be impossible for me to come to Bryn Mawr at any time before June 5th. I should like to come if it were possible, but it is not.

Very sincerely yours,

May 16th, 1902.

Mr. Edward C. Coy,

Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Mr. Coy:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. Thank you very much for the enclosed check and also for your goodness in writing to Mr. Warren.

I shall be glad to try to plan for at least two Sundays next year at Hotchkiss. It is always a delight to go up, both on account of the boys and even more for the sake of having a day with you and Mrs. Coy.

I was at Andover a few weeks ago just for a Saturday evening, speaking to the boys of the Academy, and at Abbott afterwards. I am glad I went to Andover, but if I were sending my boy just now, I would send him to you.

With warm regards to Mrs. Coy and yourself,

Very affectionately yours,

May 15th, 1902.

The Rev. J. E. Robinson,

Poona, Punjab, India.

Dear Mr. Robinson:-

I have been for a number of years greatly interested in the life of George Bowen, and have been several times urged by a friend whose father was a classmate of George Bowen's in Union Seminary, and who has given me a great deal of information about him, to undertake to write a biography. I have hesitated to do this, however, partly because I have had other things that were more pressing, and partly because I did not feel that I could get access to the information necessary. Recently, however, an intimate friend of George Bowen's has offered to place at my disposal Bowen's letters to his sister, and a great deal of other material, and I am disposed to take up this work unless someone who knew Bowen personally, and was associated with him as I think you were, does the work. Mr. Rankin tells me that after Mr. Bowen's death, his papers in India came into your hands, and that it was announced that you would write his life. He may be in error in this, and if he is, and you do not expect to undertake the work, would you be willing to let me have access to the material in your possession?

There are many reasons why Bowen's life should be written, as I am sure you, who knew him well, appreciate better than those who never knew him at all; and I hope that either you will undertake the work, or in case you already have done so will soon carry it through to completion, or else that you will generously give me the advantage of access to the information which you possess.

Very sincerely yours,

May 17th, 1902.

The R. L. Bryan Co.,
Masonic Temple Building,
Columbia, S. Carolina.

Dear Sir:-

I return herewith the proof of article "Some Missionary Aspects of Paul's Second Itineration."

Very truly yours,

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May [illegible], 1908.

Miss Mary E. Wright,

Augusta, Ga.

My Dear Miss Wright:-

I have just received the most attractive book giving the history of the missionary work of the Southern Baptist Convention. I shall read it with the greatest pleasure as by you and from you. I remember with great vividness and pleasure my first and only visit to Augusta, and I am glad I met you then, and have followed with constant interest all your useful work in the mission cause since. I take very much what little I have been able to read thus far of your book--its most delightful tone, and the skill with which the work has been done.

I am enclosing to send you a little book containing some sketches of our own Missions, which may be of interest to you.

Hoping to see you some time either here or in the South, and with warmest regards, I am,

Your sincere friend,

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May 29th, 1902.

Mrs. H. T. Pitkin,

Troy, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Pitkin:-

When Mr. Bronson was here, he told me that he had sent a great deal of material Mr. Pitkin to Dr. Ketler, but that Dr. Ketler had not returned it. I wrote to Dr. Ketler regarding the matter, and he replies that it has all been returned to you. If you have it, could you send it to me with whatever other material you have?

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer

May 29th, 1902.

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr.,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My Dear Mr. Stokes:-

Your kind note of yesterday inviting me to preach at Yale on October 12th is just received. I very much fear it will not be possible for me to come to Yale for that Sunday. Our Synods meetin October, and I shall probably have to be in the West attending the Synod meetings at that time. It is possible that I may be here, but the probability is the other way. I think I can come for one of the last four Sundays in November, or in December.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer.

June 3rd, 1902.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Will:-

I enclose herewith copy for the next Monthly Missionary Survey. It is such copy as you can easily reduce in length if what I send is too long for your space.

I have just received the notice of the annual meeting of the Incorporators and of the Trustees of Mt. Hermon School, on June 16th. I am sorry it will not be possible for me to be at the meetings, but our Board meets that day, and we shall also have in session at that time, our annual Conference with New Missionaries.

Very cordially yours,

June 3rd, 1902.

Mr. T. H. P. Sailer,
4046 Spruce Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Thomas:-

Your letter was received yesterday, but I had been away and did not get in until noon, and had no time to call up Beach on the telephone. Dr. Stevenson, however, saw Mr. Beach, and reported that he was anxious that we should defer laying your letter before the Board a little longer. The difficulty is that Mott is away up in Canada, taking a rest in the woods, and Beach has been unable to get his judgment. Of course there is no such need for urgency as would make it unwise to delay for a fortnight, so in accordance with your suggestion that if Beach had anything further to say to you we should delay until you could consider it, and also in view of Beach's desire, we did not present your letter to the Board.

I think we can arrange next week that you should have what stenographic help you want. If we cannot take care of it in the Offices, it will be easy to get help from outside. If we get from the printer the the programs of the Conference before this letter is mailed, I will enclose one for you.

It is beginning to warm up a little bit, as it usually does for these Missionary Conferences, but of course it is cold storage over here in comparison with what it is in your torrid town.

Very affectionately yours,

June 3rd, 1902.

Mr. Roswell C. Tripp,
The Hill School,
Pottstown, Penna.

My Dear Tripp:-

I am sending you herewith a copy of a little book on the character of Christ, which may be of help to you in your Bible Study this Summer. As I said, however, when we were talking together, I hope that you will not be led away from independent Bible study of your own through relying on books. I think that is one way in which all of us are likely to suffer. It is a great deal better to work out something for ourselves than to get everything secondhand. And I am only sending this little book because I hope it may suggest lines of study for you that you will work out independently.

I was very glad to have that little talk with you Sunday evening, and I hope that you may grow so in your Christian life this Summer, that next Fall, when you come back to the school, it may be to take up the work with real power and success. As you know, the only way to get strong in athletics is to use the strength you already have, and the same law holds in every other sphere of life. Take whatever chances you can get this Summer to do personal work and to help men. I hope you will get Dr. Trumbull's little book on individual work for individuals, and read that in addition to your Bible study.

It is a good thing to acquire the habit of Bible Study and prayer every morning. It gives a tone to the day that otherwise you cannot get into it, and it makes it easier to study the Bible and pray at other times in the day.

I am so glad you are coming back to the Hill next year. With best wishes for a pleasant Summer, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

June 3rd, 1902.

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr.,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My Dear Mr. Stokes:-

Your kind note of May 31st is received. I shall look forward with pleasure to spending November 23rd at New Haven.

Very cordially yours,

June 4th, 1902.

The Rev. Richard Arnold Greene,
Princeton, N. J.

My dear Richard:

I am sending you herewith a copy of my last little book on "The Principles of Jesus" It is a simple sort of book, but I hope it comes a little nearer realizing its aim because it is not ambitious.

I hope you may have a happy and profitable Summer , and with warm regards to your father and mother, I am,

Very affectionately yours,

June 4th, 1909.

Dr. J. W. Dawson,
Cowgate Dispensary,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Dawson:

It has been a long time since I wrote to you last, but I never forget you, and have wished that my work might take me again to Scotland that I might have the opportunity of seeing you. A great deal happens in two years. There have been many developments in our work, and I think we have made some real advances. I hope that the two years have brought you increased strength and the health to take up some of the many things you are eager to do, but could not when I saw you last.

I have been writing some more little books in the last two years, and if I were sure of your address, should be sending you one and shall do so on getting your address in reply to this letter, in case you are able some time to write.

We are looking forward now to gathering at Northfield soon. Mr. Moody is gone, but the Conferences go forward, not just as they did with him there, but still they go on in the strength of God. Mott will preside at the Students Conference as usual, and in addition to the speakers from this country, we are expecting also Mr. Morgan, who ought to be called, I suppose, an American now, and also Mr. Kelman from Edinburgh. I wish you could be here. The Connecticut Valley is as beautiful as ever. There are more buildings now than in the old days, and everything has grown, and I hope there is more of the presence and strength of God's spirit also.

We have just had a little farewell meeting for one of our missionaries, sailing to-morrow for Brazil, which was unique in my experience. It was the case of one of our old missionaries, who has been one of the most energetic and successful workers that we have had, who came home a few months ago for an operation for cancer. The operation was performed, but the doctors had discovered that it had been allowed to remain too long, and there is no hope now of stopping its growth and accordingly he is going back to his field, so far as we may judge, to die in the country, in which and for which he has spent his life. He could barely speak above a whisper, but he made a most beautiful little speech to us, full scarcely so much of resignation and tender preparedness, but of the same vigorous and hopeful practical spirit of work which has been his characteristics all his life. I told a friend afterwards, as we went away, that such a man was one of the irrefutable evidences of the superiority of the Christian faith. Nobody could compare, it seems to me, an ideal Confucianist or Hindu or Mohammedan, with a Christian of the finest character, without recognizing at once that the faith that produced the last man must have been a faith of solitary and unique superiority.

When I saw you last, we had one little child in our home - a little boy, who will be four years olf before many months now. He has now a little sister, who is just learning to walk about and to talk and the two of them furnish a faculty out-classing all theological or scientific faculties i know, in their ability to impart instruction and to promote discipline.

It will be very good to hear from you again, dear Dawson. I

know you will not have thought I was forgetful in not writing to you. That is one of the best things about friendship that it is a trustful thing, and "thinketh no evil".

With a great deal of love, I am,

Your sincere friend,

June 7th, 1932.

Mr. A. C. McFord,
Old Colony Building,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Al:-

In your note of April 1st, with reference to the '89 Memorial Fund, you asked me whether after a short time I would remind you of it. I hope things are now in such shape that you can propose something generous for the Fund. I have a feeling of shame almost, whenever I think of it. And I wish you could do something to give the thing a new start, and to carry it through to the ten thousand dollars at once, then the field would be clear for anything larger that we might want to do in the future, when the Class is better able to undertake something big.

Very cordially yours,

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June 10th, 1902.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Thompson Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

I am sending you herewith the Sunday School Times for [illegible], and also the next paper in the series of "A Young Man's Questions."

Very affectionately yours,

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June 16th, 1902.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Charlie:-

I thank you very much for your kind note, enclosing the letter from Mr. Dollenmayer, which I return herewith. I am very glad to have collected has been helpful to the readers of the paper.

Sailer, who was over visiting with us last week, [illegible] this morning for the remaining days of our New Wilmington Conference, [illegible] of our Father's condition, and I do not need to say how [illegible] have gone out to you all. Sailer said that for a little while [illegible] best that news of you should see him. I hope that time has passed now, [illegible] is quite regaining his strength. When you see him, will you give him our earnest love from Emma and me?

Very affectionately yours,

June 16th, 1902.

Mr. H. F. Anderson,

Asheville, No. Carolina.

My Dear Mr. Anderson:-

I thank you very much for your note of June 11th, with its enclosures. I think with them I shall get coverage at as low a rate as could be possible. [illegible] lately, [illegible] 4-45 on Thursday afternoon.

Very cordially yours,

June 16th, 1902.

The Rev. J. M. Buckley, D. D.,
150 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Dr. Buckley:-

I appreciate very much the courtesy of your note of June 11th, enclosing your comments on my article in the Congregationalist. I wish I could agree with you on the point to which you call special attention, but I cannot; and I feel that the loss of an acceptance of the truth which I tried to express in the paragraph to which you call attention, would be even greater than the pleasure of finding myself in accord with you. In Paul's figure, the hand is as valuable as the foot, and not more so, and every member of the body has functions just as truly assigned to it, though it be humble, as any other member of the body. I do not believe that the divine call of a man to the ministry is any more "unique" than the divine call of a Christian man to any other work that is assigned to him by the will of God. Of course the word "call" is used in the Bible sense, and it may refer to divine assignment of work to man, or to the discovery of that assignment by man. I believe that many men go into the ministry believing that they have gained a knowledge of the divine will in a unique and singular way; but I think also that many Christian men have taken up other work which they believed was the will of God for themselves under the same divine leading. Surely God has a will for every man, and it is the business of every man to discover and to do this will. I do not see why there should need to be a peculiar method of discovering an answer in the case of a man looking forward to any one particular service. Every man should be fully convinced in his own mind. How can he be more than that? Surely he can be as much as that, whatever the work that it is the will of God that he should do. I would not lower the man's conception of the ministry, and I would lift his conceptions of all other work. Bushnell himself found no difficulty in holding the view which you quote at the end, at the same time that he

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Preached on "Every Man's Life a Plan of God," and "Living Unto God in Small Things."

I return herewith the paper which you sent, and am, with kind regards,

Very truly yours,

June 17th, 1908.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

I thank you very much for your good letter of yesterday just received. I am very grateful if the articles in the Young Men's Questions Series commend themselves to you. The last one which I sent over was on a question which I at first thought I wouldn't touch because it is so hard to handle; but I felt that something ought to be said, and so did the best I could. I have heard from several quarters about those articles. Just the other day a man spoke to me about the one on Drinking.

I hope that you have ~~any~~ if suggestions about the series for next year, you will make them. I shall think the matter over, but I have not thought of anything yet that exactly pleases me. One that has occurred to me is a series on the Twelve Apostles, with their lessons for us. Another suggestion that has occurred to me is "Cardinal Virtues and Cardinal Vices." Another would be "Comrades Among the Dead." I do not know whether that is a good title or not, or whether it conveys my meaning; but I would take up some lives of good men and women, the memory of which could live with me and furnish a real companionship.

Young Kellogg has taken a position at the Hill School in Pottstown for next year. I am delighted that Professor Meigs has got him, and hope that he will do good work there.

I am going off on Thursday for a ten days' trip among the Bible Conferences, and shall try to finish on it the Sunday School Lessons for this year, and then take up some short editorials for Forward for next year. I am already getting down some ideas for them.

Dr. Baldwin, #.

I [illegible] to be in these associations with you, and I am always,

Sincerely your friend,

Dear Fellows:-

Mr. Chapin has given me the chance of sending just a little message to you. I do not know a better one than St. Paul's "Quit you like men; be strong." The trouble is that so many boys and men alike do not behave like man, and are not strong. Oftentimes those who pretend most to be manly and brave are the ones who really are most unmanly and cowardly. I think that many men do wrong and are fast in their habits, not because they are so fearless and manly, but because in their hearts they are just cowards. It is a good thing to learn early to have the best principles, and to be absolutely true to them. Scorn all cowardice and compromise, remembering that it is a great deal better to die than to lie, or to surrender your life than to surrender your principles. That is one great lesson that Jesus teaches us; and that is only one of many things in which we are to follow and be like Him.

Very sincerely yours,

June 18th, 1902. N. Y. City.

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Mr. W. H. Chapin,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Chapin:-

I enclose herewith a note for your boys at the Lake George Conference.

Very sincerely yours,

June 19th, 1902.

Messrs. Wadsworth & Wright
96 Broadway.
New York City.

Dear Sirs:

The enclosed bill for two C.B.& Q. Joint Four Bonds bought from you, is just received. I gave the messenger who delivered the bonds a check covering the bill, when he delivered them giving him the bill which accompanied the Bonds, which he returned, however, saying that he was authorized to receipt it, which he did.

Trusting that the check reached you safely, I am

Very truly yours.

July 2,1909.

The Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D.D.
Vaill Cottages.
Block Island, R. I.

My deerest Uncle Charlie:

I have been away from New York for the last ten days and just returned yesterday to write to you in reply to your loving letter of June 23rd. I am so glad that everything has gone well and that there is now every prospect of your being stronger and in better condition for work than ever before. I think of you many, many times and it is so good to have such love . I do think that I have had more goodness of God shown to me in the matter of friends of the first degree, as I call them, than anybody else I know, and I am very grateful for it, especially grateful for such a loving helpful friendship as yours and Aunt Clara's. I hope that you and she may have a delightful Summer and am so glad that you are going back in the Fall to the work at Auburn.

On this last trip I attended the Student Conference at Asheville, N. C., Lake Geneva, Wis. and then Lake George. I think they were in the main the best Conferences I have been at, and I am going up on Saturday of this week to the Young Men's Conference at Northfield, which I believe is the largest which has ever been held there. From there I am going over to Lake George and to the Young Woman's Christian Association Conference , for many years I have had stores, shops and factories.

Dr. Ellinwood has gone off for the Summer and all of the rest

here are enjoying weather, which, however hard it may be for the farmers, is delightful for those who have to stay and work in cities.

Dr. Jones has done at Amesville a very good work. It must be a comfort to Dr. Robinson to know of both of his Churches so well provided for. Dr. Clemmens is a man of the very finest quality, who I have seen quite a lot and loved for years. He has a great many of Robinson's qualities, though embodied of course in a different personality.

Emma is up at Lake George at the Young Women's Conference and will not be home until next Tuesday. But her mother is at home with the children and has brought with her from Harrisburg two or three little novelties greatly to their delight. I shall be here off and on for the rest of this month, but hope to be able to get away for a little while with Mrs. Speer and the children to a camp in the woods in northern New Hampshire where we were last Summer.

With a great deal of love to Aunt Clara,

Very affectionately yours,

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H. C. Stewart, Esq.,

Huntingdon, Penna.

My Dear Uncle Stewart:-

Your note of yesterday is just received. The train for which you are coming on Monday is one at West 23rd Street at three o'clock. There is a train for Englewood, which leaves the Erie Station at 23rd Street, immediately adjoining the Pennsylvania, at 3-25. If I can I shall go on that train on this train on Monday, but in any event I will try to meet you at the Pennsylvania Station at 23rd Street, when your boat comes in. If I am prevented, please take the first train for Englewood, on the Erie, the Ferry of which is immediately adjoining the Pennsylvania Ferry; and at the Englewood Station you will find carriages waiting, any one of which will take you right to our house. I am sending a note to the Doctor, telling him that you will want to see him [illegible].

Very affectionately yours,

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July 12th, 1902.

The Pullman Parlor Car Agent,
Boston and Maine Station,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Will you kindly reserve five seats on the parlor car on the 9-40 A. M. train, July 16th, from Boston to Colebrook, for Mrs. Speer and party? If the rate for the drawing room is the same as for five seats, please reserve the drawing room for her.

Very truly yours,

July 12th, 1902.

Dr. David Rowaird, Jr.,

126 West 58th Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear David:-

My Uncle will be over on Monday, and would like to see you Tuesday morning. Can you telephone down some time Monday morning, what hour on Tuesday morning would be most convenient for you? He will be out at Englewood with me, and could be at your office any time after half past nine o'clock.

Very affectionately yours,

July 12th, 1920.

Camp Diamond Company,

Diamond Pond, N. H.

Dear Sirs:-

Mrs. Speer, with two children and a friend and two [illegible], will reach Colebrook on Wednesday evening, July 14th, at six o'clock or [illegible] from Portland. They will spend the night at the Monadnock House. Will you please send the team to Colebrook to take them all out to the Camp on Thursday morning, the 15th? I presume a separate wagon will be necessary for their trunks.

Very sincerely yours,

July 12th, 1902.

Mr. H. G. Coleman,

[illegible], Texas.

My Dear Mr. Coleman:-

Mrs. Spear and the children and servants, and a friend [illegible] Mrs. Spear is taking up with her, expect to go up to the Camp next week, leaving New York on the Fall River Boat Tuesday morning, and reaching Cotebrook Wednesday evening. Mrs. Spear was not sure whether you had gone up yet with the [illegible], and wanted me to let you know when she was going, so that if you were going about that time, she might have the pleasure of your company.

I hope to get up about the 1st of August.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,

July 12th, 1908.

The Monadnock Hotel,

Colebrook, N. H.

Dear Sir:-

Mrs. Speer, with two children and two servants, and a friend, expects to reach Colebrook on Wednesday evening, July 16th, on the train from Boston. Will you kindly meet them at the station, and have rooms ready for them at the Hotel? They expect to go out the next morning to Camp Diamond.

Very truly yours,

July 10th, 1904

W. S. Kilburrie, Esq.,

Huntington, Penna.

Dear Uncle Stewart:

Your note of yesterday is just received. I have called up Dr. Lovelad and Dr. Hayes on the telephone and find that they will both be in town next week. Dr. Vanvulzah is away and will not be back until Fall, so I think I would advise your seeing Dr. Lovelad. This is what I would do myself.

If you want to come on the train leaving Huntington at 7:00 o'clock, I can easily arrange for you to see the doctor in the evening, but you might be tired after the day's journey, so that if you prefer to come over on a day express, I will arrange an appointment with the doctor for the following morning.

Emma and the children expect to leave on the Fall River boat on Tuesday afternoon. Can't you come over on the earlier train on Monday and spend the night with me and see the doctor on Tuesday morning? I am not going away on Tuesday and you could come out again and spend the night in Englewood, or if it is necessary for you to get back to Huntington at once, you could take the St. Louis express, leaving on Tuesday at 2 o'clock, that is, unless the doctor asks you to stay here a few days for more consultation.

You must be sure to let the children see you. They are filled with such intelligence these days. Margaret got a dollar bill out of my pocketbook this morning and informed me that the eagle

with outstretched wings on it was a crow.

With much love to Aunt Clara and Uncle,

Very affectionately yours,

July 17th, 1902,

The Rev. J. H. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Dr. Miller:

I enclose herewith the Sunday School Times for October and the next article, No. 10, I think, in the series on The Young Man's Questions.

Your kind note of the 7th, I found awaiting me this morning, on my return from the Conferences at Northfield and Lake George. If any ideas occur to me with reference to Yarnard, I shall be very glad, indeed, to send them to you.

Enc.

Very affectionately yours,

P.

July 25th,1902.

Mrs. John Beigs,
Sabbath Day Point,
Lake George, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. John:

The enclosed has been lying in my letter basket for a long time. I have been so swamped with other things that I have just passed it by, instead of sending it to you. It is the little bit you asked me to write for your book. It doesn't satisfy me and I am sure will fall far short of satisfying you. Perhaps you will have found before this something better.

I hope that you are having a good time at Sabbath Day Point. I have gone by a number of times this Summer, went passed twice last Sunday on Mr. Paine's launch, coming up from Caldwell in the morning and returning in the evening, and I wish I might have been able to stop off.

With warm regards to Professor,

Your sincere friend.

Enc.

P.

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My Dear [illegible]

Thank you [illegible] about my uncle. [illegible] no doubt [illegible] in thinking that he would be better off if he had work that he had to do, but, alas! he does not have anything to do except [illegible] from [illegible] corrects, [illegible] keeps in good sleep, so that there is little to take his mind off himself. I think, however, he will go to those baths out in Michigan, and I hope they will do him good.

[illegible] affectionately yours.

[illegible]

[illegible], England,

[illegible] Co., N. Y.

My dear [illegible]

[illegible]

if you wish me to [illegible], but of course [illegible] some one else [illegible]

[illegible] that extent. Still [illegible] hold up [illegible]

[illegible] if you [illegible].

I should think Mr. Rockefeller would be a capital [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] will be back.

and I do not [illegible] will be back.

[illegible] Miller would be an admirable man for the advisory com-

[illegible] the committee too big [illegible]

[illegible] see [illegible] Miller's [illegible]

[illegible] suggestion impresses [illegible]

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September 3rd, 1902.

Mr. E. E. Rhodes,
636 Ridge Street,
Newark, N. J.

My Dear Mr. Rhodes:-

I am afraid I shall not get over to Newark until Sunday morning, but I shall be very glad to take dinner with you and to spend the afternoon and night. It is barely possible that I may be able to get out late Saturday evening, but not in time for dinner; and the chance is so slight that I am afraid it does not exist. At any rate, do not expect me, unless I send you word. I shall hope to see you at church on Sunday morning, and to go home with you. Or, if you are not there, I can find my way out without difficulty.

The reports which had not reached you have been sent, and I hope you now have them.

I had not heard of the coming of the new little daughter, and rejoice to know of it, and to congratulate both you and Mrs. Rhodes and Marion.

Very cordially your friend,

Robert E. Speer.

Sept. 4th, 1902.

Mr. Rempei Minami,
Floating Hospital,
39th St., East River,
New York City.

My dear Rempei.

I got back on Tuesday and received the same day your letter of August 30th. I shall be very glad to see you and Miss Okada almost any time. I shall be here all of this week until Saturday noon, from about 9 until 5 each day, except that I am usually out to lunch between 1 and 2. I shall be here also on the 19th and 20th of September, and if that is more convenient shall be glad to see you either Friday afternoon, the 19th or Saturday morning, the 20th. I will think the matter over. I am not sure that I can do anything to help Miss Okada, but if I can I shall be glad to do so, and of course should like to see her either this week or week after next, whichever time is to be most convenient for you and for her.

I am glad you are going up to Lake George before going back to School and hope you may get a little rest there, while at the same time you are of help to Mr. Moore.

Your sincere friend,

Sept. 23, 1912

Mr. D. L. Pierson,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Del:

I enclose herewith the Introduction for Zwemer's book. I concluded on the whole that your lack of a Christian spirit would not justify my imitating you.

The Introduction may be too long in which case I can cut it down for you and there are several blanks in it which I have not the information to fill, but which you can easily supply.

It was a pleasure to see you and Mrs. Pierson last Sunday and the Loomises very greatly enjoyed their session with you.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

September 8th, 1902.

Mr. H. S. McKurtrie,

Huntingdon, Penna.

My Dear Uncle Stewart:-

Your note of yesterday is just received. I came back to New York on Tuesday. I have letters from Mr. Gillas and Mr. Brown with reference to the Presbyterian church. They are all ready to go ahead as soon as we authorize them to do so. They believe they can get the church up and completed for the four thousand dollars, and I see no reason why they should not be able to do so. It will be a good township. I wish some of us might go down when they come to dedicate it.

Dr. Van Valzah will be back in the city the first week in October. If you could letme know a little in advance of the time of your coming, I would make an appointment with him, so that he would be sure to be in. I am so glad the Mt. Clement's trip helped you some, and I hope Dr. Van Valzah can do the rest. I should think if you could get into the way of exercising it would do more than any doctor could do. Mary said that you had started in driving with Aunt Clara. I believe if I could entice you up to Diamond Pond, where we have been this Summer, and get you out wading in some of the brooks after trout, it would be worth more than all the medical treatment in the world.

Emma and the children will not come home until week after next.

With much love to Aunt Clara and Uncle Arthur.

Very affectionately yours,

Alex.

September 5th, 1902.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Will:-

I have engagements for September 21st that will make it impossible for me to come up to Northfield for the meetings of the Corporators and Trustees, on the 22nd.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

September 8th, 1932.

Mr. Clement H. Cochran,
1732 Clifton Place,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Clement:-

When I came back to New York last week from my vacation, I found your note of August 21st, and was delighted to have your confirmation of the report that I had already heard, that you were going to settle down here instead of going out in the government service in the Philippines or the Customs service in China. I think you have done wisely, and I hope you may be guided to just the right life work. If you ever come East be sure to come and stay with us. Our home is always open to you, and if I ever get out to Minneapolis I shall hope to see you.

I had a note yesterday from your father written in Berlin. He was just about to turn Eastward again.

Mrs. Speer and the children are still away in northern New Hampshire, where they have been spending the Summer. I hope they will be back next week, and I know Mrs. Speer would want to send her kind regards with mine.

Your sincere friend,

September 8th, 1900.

Mr. Charles T. Trueblood,
1001 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penn.

My Dear Charlie:-

I got back to New York last week, and have written something along the lines of your suggestion. I am afraid, however, it may not exactly repay. Send me word that you would like to have me send it, and if so, and if you might not want me to mention the [illegible] to me. Do not hesitate, please, to suggest it have to do it if it does not meet your idea, as I am inclined to think it will do.

I should think Mr. Bangson would be a good man to write this article. Indeed, he is the man in the whole country to do it. If you should be able to get it as a contributed article, and have him write an article for the next issue, please do not hesitate to do that. Or, let me have the article back, and I will see to it otherwise.

I believe you haven't published your last article on the settlement as a "Building Power," and as I think I wrote you at the time, I have used it with your permission in a book which I have just got out, entitled "Economic Principles and Problems." The books are just come from the press, and I will see to your offer-ing to the book. In case you do not wish to use the article now, as I should think you would not, please let me know, and I will return the manuscript to the pound. I enclose your check for that one.

I hope you have had a good Summer. I had a very busy month with my little family, and got a good deal of work done in odd hours.

With much love to all.

Very affectionately yours,

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[illegible]

My Dear [illegible]

Your good letter of yesterday, with its enclosed draft for [illegible] received. I shall enclose [illegible] should [illegible] last letter [illegible] a quantity of stone on the ground, and were ready to begin.

I think what you have suggested is all right as an inscription. Unless the [illegible] of the two Bible [illegible] which you proposed.

[illegible] Wynn, and to Mr. Miller about it. [illegible] have a marble slab properly cut to be inserted in the niche of which you speak. As I wrote to Uncle Stewart, I wish that you could be down there at the dedication of the church when it is arranged for.

They will report their progress from time to time. I can imagine the rejoicing when they got word that they can go ahead.

Sara and the children are still up at Diamond Lead, and will not be [illegible] until [illegible]. I had a beautiful time, [illegible] pounds [illegible] a good deal of time, caught many hundreds of trout, and accomplished some work.

I wrote to Uncle Stewart that Dr. Van Valzah, the other doctor who [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] and would [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

September 12th, 1902.

To the New York Sun,

N. Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

Please discontinue sending the copy of the Sun daily for the last two months you have been forwarding to me at Diamond Pond, N. H., and resume sending it to the former address, Englewood, N. J.

Very truly yours,

Sept. 15th, 1922.

Mr. T. H. P. Sailer,

Jamestown, R. I.

My dear Thomas:

Your note of the 11th is just received. Our Board was to have met to-day, but on account of the large number of members absent from the city, the meeting will be omitted. The first meeting will now be held Oct. 6th. It is good to have your note, however, which we will present to the Board at that time.

We shall be looking forward to seeing you on Sept. 24th. Could Mrs. Sailer come over at that time and you and she stay with us in Englewood, thus giving you a chance to look about there? Mrs. Speer and the children come back on Wednesday, and I do not think she has any plans that would take her away or interfer with this scheme.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer.

It is so good, my dearest boy, to think of your being here when your daddy can look after you and keep you in the right way. We were intended to travel in [illegible] road and aim to do the [illegible] in finding it at last

September 22nd, 1908.

Mrs. Randall Durfee,
435 Cherry Street,
Fall River, Mass.

My Dear Abby:-

I was very glad to see your brothers this morning, and to do what little I could to be of help to Arthur. I told him that I did not think the Princeton school would be just what he wanted. Professor Fine is not the head of the school, but his brother, who is by no means the man that Professor Fine is, although he is I am told good enough in his sphere. That school, however, is a sort of dressing-up school for failures. Boys who want to go into the college, and who are behind, go there and they are coached along and dressed into shape for the entrance examinations. The emphasis in the school, accordingly, is on the amount of knowledge necessary to get into the college, rather than on the kind of character with which a boy should go in. I do not mean that it is a slovenly school at all in this regard, but merely that the school work it has to do is a tutoring work rather than a general work such as schools like the Mill School and Hotchkiss attempt.

I advised Arthur to try Hotchkiss or the Hoheguschool at Peekskill, or the school at Symsbury. We telegraphed to Professor Coy to find out whether there was any chance for Authur to get in there, but no reply having come, Arthur has gone on this afternoon to see the school at Peekskill, and then to-morrow to see the Hotchkiss School, and the school at Symsburh. This will enable him to get to Providence to-morrow evening. I wish I had been free to go along with him, but I have three engagements to-morrow that prevent.

I have writian a note to Professor Coy.

Mama will be glad to know that you are all getting along so well.

Very sincerely your friend,

Professor H. C. Coy,

Lakeville, Conn.

September 22nd, 1902.

My Dear Professor Coy,-

You will probably have a visit to-morrow from Arthur Brayton of Fall River, one of whose brothers you may remember as having taught at Andover. I have been interested in him as his sister was a room mate of Mrs. Spear's at Bryn Mawr. He is hopeful of being admitted to Hotchkiss for this year. He may be a little beyond the age at which you like boys to enter, but if so I think it is more a matter of chronology than it is development. I had a talk with him to-day: He had an attack of appendicitis a few years ago that kept him back.

There has been a great deal of sickness in his family this summer, and the family have been quarantined I think on account of scarlet fever; so that that is the reason it has been difficult for them to make arrangements for the boy. It is now so late that I am almost afraid the school is full, but if not, I know what a comfort it would be to the family if Arthur could find a place at Hotchkiss.

Very cordially yours,

September 24th, 1922.

President George Harris, D. D., LL. D.,

Amherst, Mass.

My Dear Dr. Harris:-

I am very much obliged for your kind note of September 22nd, and accept with pleasure your invitation to stay with you. I am sorry that I shall not be able to get to Amherst until pretty late, reaching Northampton at 6-51, coming over on the trolley.

Miss Woolley has invited me to speak at Mt. Holyoke in the evening on Sunday, and I have been invited to speak at Smith College in the afternoon. I believe Miss Woolley has conferred with you, and that these arrangements will meet your acquiescence. I am afraid this is the only opportunity I shall have to get to Smith and Mt. Holyoke this year.

Very cordially yours,

September 24th, 1902.

Miss Mary E. Woolley,

South Hadley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Woolley:-

Your kind notes of the 22nd and 23rd have been received. After getting your telegram and answering it, I received an invitation from the Y. M. C. A. at Amherst, to speak for them on Sunday evening; but I wrote that I had already accepted your invitation, and would assume that the Amherst people would let me off.

I have also accepted an invitation to speak at Smith on Sunday afternoon. But that was just to some of their Committees; and if President Harris thinks I ought to come to Amherst for the evening, I shall write to Smith, canceling this afternoon meeting, and come to you for the afternoon.

Very cordially yours,

September 24th, 1902.

Miss Alice W. Warner,
Hubbard House,
Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Warner:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I should have written to you about the possibility of my coming to Smith this week, but was not sure of your address. As far as I can now see, I shall be glad to come over for the afternoon on Sunday. I have promised to go to Mt. Holyoke for the evening, at seven or half past seven o'clock. I hope, accordingly, that you will fix the meeting for such an hour on Sunday afternoon as will give me plenty of time to come over from Amherst, and to go after the meeting to Mt. Holyoke for the meeting there. Please let me know what hour you decide upon, and also where I shall come on arriving from Amherst.

If the Amherst people are unwilling to let me off from the meeting there in the evening to go to Mt. Holyoke, then I think I ought to go to Mt. Holyoke in the afternoon, as Miss Woolley wanted me to speak to all the girls there, and had already written before I thought of the possibility of getting to Smith also. So that whether I can come to you for the afternoon is dependent upon the willingness of the Amherst people to let me off for the evening. I have written to them that I should assume that they would do this.

Will you please thank Miss Jackson for her note?

Looking forward with much pleasure to meeting your Committee, I am,

Very cordially yours,

September 26th, 1902.

Mrs. H. T. Pitkin,
C/o Rev. G. H. Bronson,
Simsbury, Mass.

My Dear Mrs. Pitkin:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. The same mail brought letters from Amherst that almost destroy my hope of getting to Smith on Sunday. I have written, however, in the hope of arranging to spend the latter part of Sunday evening at Smith, coming over after the meeting at Amherst. If you could send me word over to Amherst, in care of President Harris, as to where you will be staying, perhaps I could come over and see you on Sunday evening, even if no such meeting as the girls wanted to have of their various Committees, could be planned for. If such a meeting is planned for, I could see you there, and we would have a little talk afterwards.

Very cordially yours,

September 26th, 1902.

President George Harris, D. D., Ll. D.,
Amherst, Mass.

My Dear Dr. Harris:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I have written to Miss Dudley that I shall be glad to speak for her in the afternoon, getting back in time to speak to the Young Men's Christian Association in the evening.

Very sincerely yours,

September 26th, 1902.

Miss Mary Breese Fuller,
150 Elm Street,
Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Fuller:-

I am sorry to have to say that I have heard from Dr. Harris that they cannot let me off from Amherst on Sunday evening. Accordingly, I shall have to go to Mt. Holyoke in the afternoon, as I promised Miss Woolley I would come over either in the afternoon or evening, and this will cut out my conference with your Committee; unless, as I have written to Miss Warner, it would be possible to hold it Sunday evening. The Young Men's Christian Association meeting at Amherst is at 6-45, and I could come immediately over to Northampton from the meeting, which I do not suppose is a long one. This would be more convenient for me, too, as I want to catch the early train Monday morning for New York.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

Mr. James H. Park,
Amherst College,
Amherst, Mass.

September 26th, 1902.

My Dear Mr. Park:-

Your kind note of the 24th is just received. I have written to Miss Woolley that I will come over and speak for them in the afternoon, so that I can be with you for the association meeting in the evening.

Very cordially yours,

September 26th, 1888.

Miss Alice Warner,
Hubbard House,
Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Warner:-

I have just received letters from Professor Harris and the President of the Young Men's Christian Association at Amherst, stating that they expected me to be there for Sunday evening, and I could not be let off for Mt. Holyoke that evening. Accordingly, I shall have to go to Mt. Holyoke for the afternoon and give up my hope of meeting with your Committee at all. I am sorry I cannot come up Saturday early enough to meet the committee. I am doubly sorry also Sunday, because I learn from Mrs. Pitkin that she expects to be in Northampton on Sunday. Would Sunday evening be too late? The Young Men's Christian Association meeting at Amherst is at nine, and I suppose that more than three-quarters of an hour or an hour, so that I could probably get over to Northampton not much after half past eight. I should be glad to come then if you wish. You could send word to me over at Amherst. Indeed, I should rather come into Northampton Sunday evening, in order to catch the early train for Springfield on Monday morning.

Very cordially yours,

September 26th, 1905.

Miss Mary Woolley,
Mt. Holyoke College,
South Hadley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Woolley:-

Your kind letter of yesterday is just received. I shall cancel the appointment at Salem for Sunday afternoon, and come to you then. I think I had better not try to come before dinner, but shall come as soon after as I can. Of course I shall come to get back to Amherst in ample time for the evening meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you on Sunday, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Sept. 26th, 1912.

Mr. Arthur P. [illegible],
Hotchkiss School,
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Arthur.

I was glad to get to-day your note of Friday, and to learn that you had succeeded in getting into the school. Thank [illegible] I got a telegram from Mr. Isbell [illegible] you to come [illegible] I am very happy that you are to be in a place in what I think is one of the best schools in the country. I shall be up some time this fall this year and shall [illegible] seeing you.

Very cordially yours,

Sept. 30th, 1902.

Miss Mary E. Woolley,

South Hadley, Mass.

My dear Miss Woolley:

Your very kind note of yesterday, with its enclosed check is received. As I told you, you need not have done anything of this sort, but now that you have insisted on doing it, I shall be glad to make some good use of what you sent.

It was a great pleasure to see you and speak to the girls.

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself, I am,

Your sincere friend,

October 1st, 1902.

Mr. Amos R. Wells,
Tremont Temple,
Boston, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Wells:-

I have gone over hastily the enclosed outline of the books for the Young People's Series. It is a very full and complete sketch that you have prepared, and I think little could be added to it, except what would come up in the actual attempt to write one of the books.

I notice that you do not make any mention of the bibliography at the end, but I suppose you took that for granted. The only other points that occur to me in reading over the outline,are three: A short sketch of the national history for Chapter one; a little fuller treatment of the position of women and children for thapter two; and a paragraph or so about the political future of the country inChapter eight.

When I shall be able to write the book I cannot say. I have a whole lot of other work on hand that must be got through with first.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

October 1st,1902.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia,Penna.

My dear Charlie:

When that editorial on the Bible and the New York Sun appears, would it be asking too much to ask you to send a copy of the paper containing it to the Right Reverend J. S. Johnston, D. D., 309 Pecan Street, San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Johnston is a Bishop of the Episcopal Church, who seems to be a man of very warm evangelical spirit,and I happened to mention in some correspondence with him,which he began, that I was writing such an editorial ,not mentioning the paper of course,when he asked for a copy of it. He says in his last letter:

"One of the most hopeful views I have of this subject of Christian Education is that it is not far down that road to a workable Christian unity. We are going to be driven into the citadel at the centre,in order to maintain ourselves against the tremendous forces that threatens to overthrow the foundations of the faith. When that is clearly seen to be the real issue,it won't take Christians long to get together".

That is pretty good for a bishop,isn't it?

Very affectionately yours,

Oct. 1st.1908.

The Right Reverend J. S. Johnston, D. D.,
509 Pecan St.,
San Antonio, Texas.

My dear Bishop Johnston:

I have asked the editor to send you a copy of the paper, containing the article I wrote on the Bible and the New York Sun, and hope you will receive it in due time.

With much appreciation of what you write of Education and Christian unity, in your kind note of Sept. 15th, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Oct. 3d,1902.

E. F. McKurtrie, Esq.,

Huntingdon,Penna.

My dear Uncle Stewart:

Your note of yesterday is just received. I am so glad that you are going out to the Washington and Jefferson Centennial,and happier still that you are feeling quite much better

I am sorry I shall not be in New York the week ending the 18th. I have to be in Ann Arbor that day,and I will try to pass a day or two next week in Harrisburg and Washington. I have to be in Cleveland on Friday,Oct. 24th. I shall be home in New York on Monday,the 27th and shall be here practically continuously after that. I hope you and Aunt Mary can arrange to come and make me a visit then,when you can take plenty of time to see the doctor.

I had not overlooked what you wrote in your other letter about the tablet,but was expecting to write about that,or to talk to you about it when you came over. I think there are advantages in a marble tablet in a church. Bronze is very difficult to read at any distance and while it is very good for statues or a bas relief, or anything of that sort,I think marble is better for such an inscription as Aunt Mary has in mind and as I think would be most suitable for a memorial in the Church at Coyoacan. While I would like to think about it this evening. Her taste is infallible in such things,and whatever she thinks would be best is sure to be so.

October 4th, 1922.

Mr. Frederick M. Smith,
35 West 31st Street,
New York City.

My Dear Mr. Smith-

I enclose herewith the article for the Women's Home Companion, which I promised you. Will you please send us two or three copies of the issue in which it appears?

Very truly yours,

October 4th, 1902.

Professor Francis Brown, D. D.,

600 Park Avenue,

New York City.

My Dear Dr. Brown:-

Your kind note of October 2nd is received. I shall be very glad to give the lectures which you have selected. I understand that the lectures begin on Wednesday, November 5th, at five P. M.

Very cordially yours,

October 4th, 1902.

Mr. A. P. Pitt,
80 Institute Place,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Mr. Pitt:-

Your note of the 2nd is just received. I shall be glad to speak at the nine o'clock hour on October 18th. I am sorry I do not expect to be West in November. If I were to be in Chicago then, and had any time at all, I should be very glad to come to the Institute again.

With best wishes.

Very truly yours,

October 4th, 1902.

Dr. H. M. McCandliss,
3334 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. McCandliss:-

Your letter of yesterday with reference to William and your desire in case of your death and the death of his mother, that I should act as William's guardian, is just received. I write at once to confirm what I said to you when you were here, and to assure you and Mrs. McCandliss that I shall be very ready to accept this trust, although I sincerely hope that the contingency against which you are guarding, may not occur. If there is any way in which Mrs. Speer and I can be of help to William while he is studying here, or if there is any service at any time that we can do for you and Mrs. McCandliss, I hope you will not hesitate to let us know.

With warm regards from us both, and best wishes for your journey back to your work in Hainan, I am,

Your sincere friend,

October 7th, [illegible].

Miss Elizabeth L. [illegible],
Wells College,
Aurora, N. Y.

My Dear Miller,

This very good to get back morning your kind note of the 5th. I am not altogether sure yet whether I should be able to come to Wells College or not, but I hope to be able to arrange it in December or January, in case I find I can come home Sunday to one of these months to future. It will be a great pleasure to see you if I can come.

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself,

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

October 8th, 1902.

Rev. James A. Dodd,

Keokuk, Iowa.

My Dear Mr. Dodd:-

We have just received from Mr. [illegible], Secretary [illegible] the following letter:

"Rev. James A. Dodd, Keokuk, Iowa, has announced his resolution of resuming a Boy's Preparatory School in the City of [illegible], Iowa, [illegible] Presbyterian Church and [illegible] in such personnel. He calls this work [illegible] in the development of Presbytery to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the fact that we have [illegible] schools in the city of [illegible], and of [illegible] a Boy's Preparatory School. In July of this year I wrote Mr. Dodd [illegible] the matter and got a very [illegible] reply, stating that he had [illegible] decidedly [illegible] the school, but did not say that he would go elsewhere. A letter just received from our Station Agent [illegible] one of our teachers, a native, informed that he [illegible] Mr. Dodd is [illegible] suitable ground and [illegible] that the school [illegible] station that the Presbyterian Board [illegible] Mr. Dodd. [illegible] Knowledge [illegible] and let us have from you at your convenient [illegible] time, if you care there is any [illegible] about your Board being [illegible] this matter."

I have written to Mr. [illegible], telling him that there is some mistake, that our Board has no connection whatever with the school which it is reported you are going to found, and that while you and Mrs. Dodd were missionaries of our Board in Korea, it was some years ago.

[illegible] heard before of your plans, but hope that there is some mistake in the information which has reached Mr. [illegible]. I am sure you would not want to do anything that can be of evil and no good, because an missionary [illegible] already occupied by a older Church. There have been so many unexpected fields, I hope you will be sure if you contemplate starting such a school, [illegible] [illegible] and that you and Mrs. Dodd may be [illegible] success. I hope that the school that you plan to connect with your Church, be successful.

I hope that you and Mrs. Dodd are both very well, and with kind regards

[illegible] 1918.

The Rev. John T. Conklin, D. D.,

25 East 22nd Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Dr. Conklin:-

[illegible]

[illegible] Pastor Responsibility. I should be very grateful [illegible] a few extra copies for our social use, [illegible] should be very glad to contribute by [illegible] [illegible] Dr. Hillwood which I think you will enjoy.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Very sincerely yours,

October 7th, 1902.

Mr. J. M. Patterson,
Mallard Annex Building,
St. Louis, Mo.

My Dear Mr. Patterson:-

Your kind letter of October 6th is just received. I write at once to say with reference to Mr. Dodd, that he has no connection whatever with our Board, and that your letter is the first intimation we have had of his purpose to establish a Boys' Industrial School in Aguas Calientes. Mr. Dodd was for some years ago a missionary of our Board, with headquarters at Zacatecas. I remember visiting Aguas Calientes and seeing many of your workers there. We have never had any idea whatever of opening work in Aguas Calientes, and would not think for a moment of trespassing thus on a field occupied by another Church. I am writing to Mr. Dodd on the subject, advising him to locate his school elsewhere, and also requesting him to keep its distinctive character quite clear.

With best wishes for the success of your work, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

October 7th, 1907.

Mr. Charles F. Walker,
213 Charles Street,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My Dear Mr. Walker:-

I do not know of any missionaries of mark who will be in the vicinity of Ann Arbor soon. The Rev. Paul Jungen will be in Highland Park, near Chicago, as I think he would not have far to come, and he is one of the best missionaries we have in China. Miss Mae Taylor, who was formerly in the Young Women's Christian Association work in Michigan, is now at home on furlough, and her present address is, Station A, Toledo, Ohio. You might write to her and see exactly when she is likely to be in Michigan in November. I would also suggest as those likely to be near Michigan at that time: Mr. C. H. Hyde, of Korea, 112 West Second Street, Mansfield, Ohio. The Rev. T. M. Gaston, of Columbus, Wooster, Ohio. Rev. D. S. Collins, of Korea, Bowling Green, Ohio. Rev. J. C. Dodd Ole, of Korea, Harlem, Ohio.

I expect to be in Ann Arbor on the last of this month, speaking in the Northwest Mission Course, but I understand that is one of the limited zones connected with that course that the speaker should not speak at other meetings in the Sunday School in Ann Arbor. Nevertheless, I should be glad to be of any help to you that I could on that day.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear [illegible]:-

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as well as some of the smaller ones.

Very sincerely yours,

October 8th, 1902.

[illegible]
1.46 Spruce Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Dr. [illegible]

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I am delighted to have your promise to write to me every word of my new book. As old Mr. McCosh would say, "I'll hold you to that."

I [illegible] sure the [illegible] effusion, for will [illegible] to [illegible] well too. I [illegible] Tuesday before dinner, and I [illegible] to [illegible] by [illegible] Wednesday, [illegible] good [illegible]. I [illegible] to [illegible] some [illegible] a [illegible] night, but if not I will [illegible] over [illegible]. [illegible] the [illegible], if you [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] are coming over in the morning of [illegible].

I [illegible] the [illegible] yesterday at the [illegible] meeting it was [illegible] there [illegible], the energy of [illegible] person accepting the Secretary Investigation for the [illegible] year. The Board received the report with real appreciation. Mainly [illegible], as he [illegible] [illegible] presented it.

With much love.

As ever,

October 8th, 1908.

Mr. Adolf Krug,

Amherst, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Krug:-

My delay in answering your letter of October 1st is not due to any want of interest and sympathy. I have thought over it a great deal, and earnestly hope that the way may be made clear before you. I do not think I can give you better advice than that which our Lord Himself gave with reference to disagreements among men. Do you remember what it was? - That if we have anything against a brother we are to go to him directly. I think you would do well to turn over to that passage and read it again. If your interview with him, when you have it, is not satisfactory, then I should think if you are sure that you can keep your spirit in control and act only as a true Christian man should, that it might even do to ask him to go with you to see Miss Paul. I suspect, however, that a new turn will have been given to the whole matter before this by your letters from her.

It seems to me that the two things to be kept clearly in view are, first, that a man ought to deal frankly first of all, in a difficulty, with his brother against whom he has a grievance; and secondly, the essential principle of love is unselfishness - not what you get, but what you give; not how much ministry you can secure for yourself, but how much service you can render to the one you love. If your love for Miss Paul is in this respect truly unselfish on your part, and she desires that the relations between you should be at an end, then I do not see that you have anything to do but to go right forward with your life. Nothing can prevent you from loving with a true love, and possibly if this has not been the sort of love that has filled your life, this experience has come to you to teach you what true love is.

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I hope you will let me know if I can be of any help to you at any time; but I do not think that I ought to take up the matter with either Miss Saul or the young man. It is a question first for you and the young man, and then for you and Miss Saul, and both then and always for you and God and you and your own self.

Praying that you may be guided right and given strength, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

October 9th, 1908.

The Rev. John D. Wells, D. D.,
155 South Third Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Wells:-

I have read through with great interest the paper which you let me see on "The Old Doctrine of Reconciliation." I have never held my own view that that phrase was present, and I do not believe that either Scripture or Christian theology gives any justification for the ordinary view that, God hates man and that His hostility to their souls is to be appeased. I have heard of the work of the Lowthorpe and Dagnall's Joint Faith Incident to illustrate the very old belief in reconciliation, but it seems to me to be an entirely false illustration. There is no need to be reconciled to God, and yet God who needs to be reconciled to us, as I believe, and I think you establish.

We then is come to the question of the relation of Christ's propitiation to the attitude of God toward sinners, and indeed, to the personal question of what we call the plan of salvation on the Divine side. I confess that I am not so very clear. There, so far as I am concerned, I feel the limitations of language, and am sure that I cannot to my satisfaction, however others may think, describe distinctly the operations of the mind of God. I fall back here on Bushnell's "Theory of Language," and on the great exemplar by Dr. Fundall in an essay which I have just published, but which will appear some time as the last chapter in a little book of his called "Misunderstood Bible Texts." We have got so terms in which to deal the two bibliic except bibliic terms, all of them must on every hand be limitation, terms where significance to us is illustration and suggestive, which merely realize in proportion as all which is stripped off, and we have therefore the purposes of definition. I have no confidence in my ability to com-

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[illegible] or to describe the inner thought of God. If it be said that this view makes a systematic theology impossible, I reply that I view it then, in the sense in which some would attempt to construct such a theology. This position is confirmed by the simple fact that thoroughly good men of equal abilities construct systems of systematic theology at such variance with one another, and one of them holds at a great length, or the gown of a great teacher, but they utterly differ in their account of the Divine side of redemption. I must my feeling in what I know of human personality. If it be said that we have Divine revelation on this other side, I believe that with all my heart; but our theology is interpretation. Then again and again is my the necessities of human speech, and how little we know as yet of the most significant! This may sound rather advanced, but I believe myself that it is an older and more conservative theological position than that which claims those titles now.

You do not know how good it is to think of you, and to love you, and to feel your love in return. But it is good, very.

Very affectionately yours,

[illegible] 1927.

[illegible] William H. Taft,
The Law [illegible] of Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear President Taft:

I have received your letter with reference to the [illegible] [illegible] responsible for the improvement of [illegible] and have [illegible] [illegible] through the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]. I believe earnestly of course in the desirability of all possible improvements in this direction, and I am not [illegible] [illegible] as to the [illegible] of this proposed [illegible] or of its relation to the proposed [illegible] [illegible].

Very sincerely yours,

October 10th, 1908.

Professor Francis Brown, D. D.,

New York Lenox, N. Y. City.

My dear Dr. Brown:-

The change which you suggest in the subject of the sermon is altogether satisfactory, and I shall be very glad to substitute "The Ancient Landmarks" for the "Power Spring."

Very cordially yours,

October 10th, 1908.

The Rev. Sylvester W. Beach,

Bridgeton, N. J.

My Dear Mr. Beach:-

I was so glad to get your note this morning, and was sorry I did not see you yesterday. I should hope to see you next week [illegible] but I have to leave early in the week for a trip [illegible] the South. I hope you may have a [illegible] luck, and with God's help. Reach out the children will well.

With much love to them and to you,

Your sincere friend,

Mr. Charles W. Dean, October 16th, 1908.

Amherst, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Dean:-

I hope you will not infer from my delay in answering your good letter of September 28th that I have overlooked it. I have read it through more than once, and have thought carefully and with sympathy of your difficulties. It seems to me the great trouble with you must be an excess of self-consciousness, and I think that is a common trouble, much more common perhaps than any of us think. The difficulties of which you speak are all of them with the exception perhaps of your "plugging" proclivities, due to too much consciousness of self, and the mischief about such self-consciousness is that it is so prone to increase itself by fostering introspection. Whatever will break up self-consciousness and lead you to forget yourself, will make you freer in your ways, more friendly, sociable and unsuspicious. An active part in college life, athletics, debating societies, and, to the extent that you can, the social life of the college will be helpful to you in enabling you to overcome the difficulties that you feel. Read good books and talk about them. Doubtless it is easy enough for you to read them, but difficult to talk over them freely with others; but just compel yourself to do this with a few friends who are most congenial to you at first, and with others also, enlarging the circle of your acquaintance. Develop your sense of humor, too. If a man knows how to take a joke and to laugh at it heartily, even when it is on himself, he need not fear conventionality or appearing to be ridiculous. It is conceit that men object to, when it reveals itself as it does in these ways. They do not object to honest humanness however simple it may be. Compel yourself now and then to do hard things if you find yourself shrinking from doing them. Even when they are good and helpful, just force yourself to do them. Suppose you have

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clean foot-ball games or small scale games. Go out and get in these. If you are timid and hesitant about such things, enter into them for a little while and see whether experience does not break down your reluctance and reticence.

As for the "plugging" as you call it, you can control that by controlling your time. If you have fixed hours, a certain time that you will not give to study, but will devote to athletics, or to exercise or to friendly intercourse, you will be able to keep yourself from going to excess at this point.

Try all these suggestions for a little while, and then let me know how they work. I shall be glad if I can to try to help you.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

October 10th, 1906.

[illegible]

East 22nd, Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear [illegible]:-

[illegible] I can speak so long in advance. I think I will be [illegible] Geneva, Ohio and North [illegible] next June. [illegible] promise, [illegible] to Ohio, [illegible] get to Lake Geneva until toward the close, and could then go to Ohio, [illegible] to Northfield. Or, come back here from Ohio, and go to Northfield at the close, if you should feel that to be preferable.

[illegible] sorry you do not feel able to go over to Pottstown, this year, but [illegible] in hope [illegible] a future visit that you hold out promise of.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer,
D.

October 10th, 1902.

Mr. William V. Hayes,
Auburn Theological Seminary,
Auburn, New York.

My Dear Mr. Hayes :-

Your kind letter has been received, and I have written to Dr. Hubbard, who wanted me to come to spend a Sunday in his church, to say that I would be glad to come to him for Sunday, January the 11th, if that would suit, and then stay over to speak for you on the evening of January 12th. In that event I should want to go down and speak at Wells College some time during the day. It will be some days before I hear from Dr. Hubbard, but you could see him and find out from him whether this arrangement will be satisfactory to him.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

October 11th, 1952.

Rev. George H. Atkinson,

9 Twnety-second Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mr. Atkinson:-

Your note of yesterday, asking when I could see you for "A few minutes after next Tuesday," is just received. I am sorry to have to say that I am leaving town on Tuesday, and shall not be back until Monday the 27th. After that I shall be glad to see you almost any time.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer.

Oct. 14th, 1902.

Mr. Frederick M. Smith,
35 West 21st Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Your kind note of yesterday, with its enclosed check in payment for my article, is received.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Very truly yours,

October 28th, 1902.

Mr. Will R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Will:-

I came back to New York yesterday, after an absence of two weeks, and found your note of October 20th awaiting me, and also one from Miss Bell of the same date. At what time would the meetings be held on the Day of Prayer? Could I come up on the evening of the 28th, leaving here on the four o'clock train, and coming back on the evening of the 29th, leaving South Vernon at 4-55? This would give time for the morning and afternoon meetings. I am not certain as to whether I could come, but I might be able to manage it if an arrangement of this sort would be satisfactory.

I have had a note from Miss Farley with reference to the "Monthly Survey." She evidently has overlooked a letter of mine to you when I sent the last copy to the Survey, in which I said that I thought I had better discontinue them. By doing so now I would have a little more time free for other things, and you could put something fresher in their place.

I hope that you are all well. I was in Chicago a week or so ago, and Mr. Fitt told me that you had been threatened with something or other, I have forgotten whether it was typhoid or what. I hope it was satisfied with just threatening you a bit, and that then it went away.

Very affectionately yours,

October 28th, 1902.

Miss Evelyn S. Hall,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Miss Hall:-

Your kind note of the 20th came a week ago when I was away from the city. I returned yesterday and found it here, together with one from Mr. Moody, to which I have replied as follows:

"At what time would the meetings be held on the Day of Prayer? Could I come up on the evening of the 26th, leaving here on the four o'clock train, and come back on the evening of the 29th, leaving South Vernon at 4-55? This would give time for the morning and afternoon meetings. I am not certain as to whether I could come, but I might be able to manage it if an arrangement of this sort would be satisfactory."

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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My Dear Mr. Grant:-

Your note of yesterday is just received, and I would come and have a good talk over it with you, but have to go this minute to catch a train for Providence, R. I. Please do not do a thing, or make up your mind any further until we have a good chance to talk it over next week. I am sure everything can be arranged all right. According to my understanding, the action of the Board was meant to give you the fullest liberty, not a whit less than the other Officers of the Board have. But we can talk this all over next week.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Lee.

Mr. I. H. Seiler,
Care Insure Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Mr. Seiler:-

I should be I could go to Hartford this December 4th, but it would be at all convenient, as I have engagements for the three following days. Still, it is absolutely necessary, I will come.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Lee.

November 6th, 1902.

Mr. Tissington Tatlow,
Y. M. C. A.,
22 Warwick Lane, E. C.,
London, England.

My Dear Mr. Tatlow:-

I am very much obliged to you for your kindness in sending me a copy of the "Missionary Studies on Mohammedanism." I sympathize fully with your views as expressed in the introduction. [illegible] a little more is done for Mohammedans than is known, because of the lack of publicity. For example, our Missions in Persia were never doing so much direct work for Mohammedans as they are now, yet you will find much fuller accounts of the work for Mohammedans given in the reports twenty years ago than to-day, for the reason that they dare not say anything about it in public now lest it be used in Persia.

Perhaps you have seen a little book that has appeared recently, entitled "Christianity and Islam," published by the Tract Society anonomously, which was written by our Miss Holliday of Tabriz, which is made up I believe, of actual discussions between herself and a young Mohammedan inquirer. It is easy to criticise the discussions, but they represent real living work, a work that is proving exceedingly fruitful, too.

I have had occasion to go over again the ground of Mohammedan mission work more or less thoroughly this last Summer, in preparation of the chapter on Armenian massacres, for a book on The Missionary Aspects of Great Movements, on which I have spent a few weeks the last two Summers. And I passed some days with great interest on the study of Raymond Lull, a new biography of whom has just been written by Dr. Zwemer of Arabia, and will be published soon by Funk and Wagnalls.

I am collecting myself, material for a Life of George Bowen some day, and am getting hold of a good deal of original material that has never been used, and

would not be likely to be used publicly otherwise. If you ever find anything about Bowen in Great Britain, about his influence, I wish you would let me know of it, and especially if you could get any copies of original letters of Bowen's to any friends or acquaintances in England.

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself.

Very cordially yours,

November 7th, 1902.

Miss Elizabeth L. Ely,
Riverside Drive and 85th Street,
New York City.

My Dear Miss Ely:-

Your kind note of the 5th, with its enclosed check, is just received.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

November 6th, 1902.

The Rev. W. Clifford Dodd,
C/O Presbyterian Hospital,
Allegheny, Penna.

My Dear Brother Clifford:-

Bless your old heart! you did not need to apologize for what you said yesterday afternoon. I was only sorry I could not stay, as I should have wished to do, but I shall certainly read your paper through, and am ready to take all the time needed to understand as fully as anyone can without going to the place, the situation there which lies so heavily on your heart.

I hope you will find Mrs. Dodd very much improved. Please give her warm love from Mrs. Speer and myself, and believe me,

Affectionately your friend,

Robert E. Speer

November 6th, 1902.

Mr. S. Earl Taylor,
150 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Taylor:-

thank you very much for your kind note of yesterday, with reference to the Cleveland Convention. I did not feel much freedom of spirit speaking that closing night, but I could see that the Convention had been a great success, and rejoice with you in its most practical results.

Your sincere friend,

November [illegible],

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
421 Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

I am not certain as to just what twelve characters I shall take up in this monthly series, but I am afraid that photographs of some of them will not be available. Judge Beaver, to whom you have referred, will be able to send you a picture of Hugh; and you could get a picture of [illegible] from Professor John Meigs, Pottstown, Penna. I am writing to Mrs. Jones, asking her whether she cannot send you a photograph that you can use and return. I will try to settle a little more definitely on the remaining names, and then can let you know whether there is any likelihood that photographs of them can be obtained.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer,

November 6th, 1922.

Dr. J. R. Miller,
2021 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Martin:-

Thank you very much for your [illegible] note of yesterday, with its enclosures. Brother Hopkins is evidently of a jubilant temperament.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer

November 5th, 1902.

The Honorable Charles Denby,

Evansville, Indiana.

My Dear Colonel Denby:-

I thank you very much for your kindness in sending me a copy of the Atlas of the Philippines. I had heard of this book, and am very glad to have a copy of it.

With sincere regards.

Very truly yours,

Robert E. Peary

November 10th. 1921.

Mr. D. A. Budge,
Young Men's Christian Association,
Montreal, Canada.

My Dear Mr. Budge:-

Your kind note of November 8th has been [illegible]

am very sorry that I made a blunder in my last note to you, [illegible]
asked you whether I could postpone my coming to Montreal to you until [illegible]
March 22nd. I do not know how I came to make the mistake, and am sorry for the
bother I am giving you; but I sincerely hope that you will let me make this change.
I am sorry to have to say that it will not be possible for me to come [illegible]
night. I shall have to come on Saturday, and [illegible] to be
too late to be of any service to you on Saturday evening, [illegible]
back on Monday. I hope that, if cutting off my visit to [illegible] makes you
feel, as it undoubtedly does me, that there is doubt as [illegible] in
your while having me come, you will frankly let me know. [illegible] I can
do, and I should be very glad to be relieved altogether from coming to Montreal,
although if there is any real service I can render in connection with your Association
and your church I shall be very happy.

I shall write you in a day or two with reference to the church of which
present situation you speak.

Very cordially yours,

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November 10th, 1898.

Miss Clara McKurtrie,

Huntingdon, Penna.

Dear Aunt Clara:

I enclose herewith Wanamaker's memorandum with prices for raffle boards. You see you can do our letter by getting that Brooklyn Navy Yard board or by getting a canvas [illegible] one, or even, I should think, by having one made in Huntingdon. I have not yet heard about the Brooklyn board.

Very affectionately yours,

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November 11th, 1902.

Professor John Weigs,

Pottstown, Penna.

My dear Professor Weigs:-

I am trying to twise around my appointments for next [illegible] adjusted before long. I am afraid my note stating that I thought I could come to the Hill for March 29th may have been confusing and [illegible] trouble, as I gather, referring to your note of October 17th, that [illegible] 29th is the date of the Spring vacation also. I am hoping to shift about so that I can get to the Hill for March 22nd, which is one of the Sundays you suggest in your letter of the 17th of October. I shall hope to let you know definitely within a few days. I am very sorry to have been so troublesome.

Very affectionately yours,

[illegible]

November 11th, 1902.

Mrs. John Weigs,

Pottstown, Penna.

My Dear Mrs. Weigs:-

That article on Manny Halabird, which I wrote, was for a series in Forward. Dr. Miller writes that he would be glad to print pictures of the various young men if he could get them, and I wonder whether you would be willing to lend him your photograph of Manny, which he would return? You know his address is, the Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D., 421 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

With much love from Mama and myself,

Your sincere friend,

November 11th, 1902.

Mr. T. C. Evans,
1 Robeson Street,
Jamaica Plains, Boston, Mass.

My Dear Father Thomas:-

I was very glad to get the copy of The Citizen for November 8th, containing your correspondence with the minister who preached the sermon at Danvers. I suppose there must be a good many of his sort around,- men who simply do not know what they are talking about; who have no knowledge of the actual conditions of the East, and who appear to be incapable of understanding the real facts? You are all right on the Friar question. That is the real cause of the troubles, and not the brutality and wickedness of the American people or the American Army. I should send you a copy of the report which my associate, Dr. Brown, has presented to the Board on the Philippines, after his return from the Philippines; but the entire edition has been exhausted, and we have not yet received another edition from the printer.

I have read other parts of The Citizen which you sent me. My! but it has vinegar in it. I really can't believe that much that the paper says is either kind or prudent or true or Christian. Its editor carries an Irish shillelagh, even if he does hate the blessed Island.

I hope that your dear old self is well, and that you haven't been trying to throw any more railroad trains off the track, or otherwise colliding with superior forces. Won't you be coming down this way again sometime?

With a great deal of love to you and all the family.

Your affectionate friend,

Robert E. Speer.

The Rev. H. P. Beach,

3 West 29th Street, N. Y. City.

November 11th, 1902.

My Dear Mr. Beach:-

I am writing a series of articles on Christian young men of pleasant years, for the young people's paper of our Church entitled "Forward." I want to write an article on Rose if I can get hold of material enough. I have some few incidents, and I have wondered whether you have some clippings or material in your offices that I can use, and also if I can get a photograph for use in connection with the article? Perhaps there is some one in the offices to whom you can hand this letter without troubling to answer it yourself.

I told you the other day what my judgment was as to the Pitkin material. It seems a great pity that more is not available, but there is almost nothing in the way of incident or anecdote or personal story, such as is absolutely indispensable for a biography. We could make a good character sketch out of the material that is in hand, but I am afraid little more. Even regarding his college course there is almost nothing of the sort that makes a biographical story. There are letters from his classmates, but they furnish almost nothing of incident. I will write to Mrs. Pitkin telling her just what my judgment is.

Very Truly Yours,

Harold P. Sheldon.
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November 11th, 1908.

Mr. Frank W. Otes,

3 West 29th Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mr. Otes:-

I have been doing my best to get down to the bottom of my letter basket, but with very poor success; and I have just come to your note of October 27th. How soon do you want the article on "Heroes of the Mission Field?" All the material for such an article in in Walsh's book entitled "Heroes on the Mission Field." I already have half a dozen or more articles promised which I ought to write at once, but if there is time, and I can squeeze in what you want, of course I shall be glad to write it.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

November 11th, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Moody:-

I am sorry I missed seeing Will on Saturday when he left your note and one volume of your father's diary. Emma and I read a little bit of it last evening, and I shall want to read some more before I can tell how much there is of general and permanent interest. Do you have nothing in the way of letters written by your father in later years? and did you collect and keep all the memorial sketches that appeared regarding him at the time of his death? I still feel that there ought to be some little memorial about him, but the character of it should depend of course on the character of the material that would be available.

With much love from Emma and me,

Your sincere friend,

November 11th, 1902.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
421 Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

I enclose herewith two short editorials and two contributions which are suitable for articles. If however, you cannot use these, please let me have them, and I will make use of them otherwise.

With reference to the biography series, I would say that I have thought over the whole subject, and am inclined to think that it may be possible to get pictures of all of the young men of whom I shall write. It will be very easy, of course, to get a picture of Van Rensselaer Hodge from his father; of Mr. Pitkin from his widow, Mrs. H. T. Pitkin, Troy, Ohio. Of MacGregor and MacInnes I think I could get pictures from the frontispieces in their biographies, although I do not know that photographs could be obtained. MacGregor's life is published by Revell, and I have a copy of MacInnes's which I could send you if you wish it. Dr. Trumbull would, I think, have a photograph of Henry G. Camp, but if a frontispiece would suffice, you would find it in a book of Dr. Trumbull's entitled "A Knightly Soldier." I am not sure whether I shall write a chapter on Keith Falconer, as you had an article on him some time ago; but if I do, I think I could get a picture of him. Dr. Hodge would probably have a photograph of George Yardley Taylor also, or I could get you a picture of him. Mr. R. C. Morse, of the Young Men's Christian Association 3 West 23th Street, N. Y. City, must have a picture of Karl Dodge, which I think I can get from the College Young Men's Christian Association a picture of Mr. Rose, leaving out Keith Falconer, this makes ten. I am not quite clear as to the other two, but can settle them at once if you wish

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer.
per. D.

November 11th, 1902.

The Rev. John F. Goucher, D. D.,
Woman's College,
Baltimore, Md.

My Dear Dr. Goucher:-

I thank you heartily for your kind note of yesterday. I was glad to have the privilege of seeing the great Convention at Cleveland, and have rejoiced in its most practical outcome. I hope that you have quite recovered from the attack of rheumatism which took you away, and with kind regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

November 11th, 1902.

Mr. Herman L. Calder,
519 Westminster Street,
Providence, R. I.

Dear Mr. Calder:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. My expenses in going to the Convention and return, were $20. This includes hotel bill and all. I had to go up on the Bay State Express, and come back by sleeper, so that it was a little more than it would otherwise have been.

I enjoyed my visit very much.

Very sincerely yours,

November [illegible], 1912.

Mr. John W. Wood,

281 Fourth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Wood:-

You are great at getting up mysteries. When I got back from my Synod trip, I found a note from Washington about a mysterious meeting that I was not to decide about without consulting you; and now there is some sort of a mysterious [illegible] following that you have on hand for January 14th. [illegible] to the Washington invitation, I am sorry to have to say that [illegible] without being courteous enough to consult you first. [illegible] I would say that I have to speak that evening at the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., where I shall be delivering some missionary lectures. I suppose this will be just about the dates of Annual Conference of the Missionary Boards and Societies, which I believe is to be held in this city this year; but if I can do anything for you that will not conflict with these or any other engagements, I shall be very glad to be at your service.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer
per. D.

November 15th, 1908.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Penna.

My dear Professor:

I have just heard with reference to the engagements regarding which I have written and which shifted things around so that I shall be able to care for [illegible] instead of the 20th.

The Princeton-Yale game, I suppose, is just being called. I see by the morning's paper that you are to be there. In the midst of the turmoil here I sit in great calm and stillness. I hope the best people may win and I hope that Princeton may prove to be the best people. Long before you get this letter we shall know.

Very affectionately yours,

November 19th, 1902.

Mrs. James Boyd,
[illegible] Street,
Harrisburg, Penna.

My dear Mrs. Boyd:

I am sending to read you herewith a copy of my last book entitled "Missionary Principles and Practice". It is pretty [illegible], but then you can skip whatever doesn't interest you and anyhow, I am sending it not because of what is in it, but just for the sake of sending you with it the warmest regards from Mrs. Speer and myself.

Your sincere friend,

November 18th, 1902.

The Gorham Manufacturing Co.,
Broadway & 19th St.,
New York City.

Dear Sirs:

Your letters of November 14th and [illegible] last photographs of bronze tablets have been received. I shall submit them at once to the persons most interested, and shall hope to communicate with you later.

Very truly yours,

November 21st, 1902.

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My Dear Mr. Stokes,-

Your kind letter was received yesterday. I am very much obliged to you for the two suggestions in it, both of which had already occurred to me. I have been trying to eradicate from my mind every athletic conception or metaphor. And have had in mind, also, the more general character of the congregation. I wish somebody else were to be the preacher for that day, and should never have accepted it if I had known at the time that it was to be the day right after the Yale-Harvard Game. Still, I will have this advantage, that I shall speak out of an even greater sense of weakness and of need of help.

Thank you very much for your kind thoughtfulness in reserving a room at the New Haven House; and thank you also for your kind invitation for dinner Sunday noon. I have promised to speak Sheff Young Man's Christian Association right after the Chapel service.

Very cordially yours,

November 20th, 1907.

Mr. Charles H. Fahs,

150 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mr. Fahs.-

I return herewith the MS. of my Cleveland address, and am sorry to have kept it so long, but I have had no time to correct it, and instead am dictating this note in advance of correcting it, hoping to be able to do to-morrow, and send it to you the next day with this note.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer.

P.

December 3d, 1923.

Mrs. W. L. Lloyd,
123 West 93th St.,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Lloyd:

Your kind note of November 30th was received yesterday. I have passed that vegetarian restaurant in 5th Street and had thought of going there some day when a friend told me he had been and warned me against it. I think with your commendation, I shall venture in some time and test the effects of the Battle Creek diet.

Mrs. Speer was very much interested to hear of my seeing you, and a few days afterwards Mrs. Dailey and Alger came to spend a little visit. Alger has grown to be quite a big and happy boy.

With warm regards to Mr. Lloyd and yourself,

Very sincerely yours,

December [illegible], [illegible].

Mrs. John Meigs,

Portstown, Penna.

My Dear Mrs. Meigs:-

Bernard Shadden came into see me last week, and I gave him a letter of introduction to Mr. Bridges, editor of Harper's, and Mr. Calver, editor of Frank Leslie's Monthly. I told him to go first to Mr. Bridges. He did. I saw Mr. Calver, and he said he wish Bernard came to see him, as then I would see he had gone to Harper's and found nothing there. Mr. Calver told me that he was wanting some help on his magazine, but that he was afraid this boy did not have snap enough about him. He was very sleepy and unenergetic in his group of things, and as a test of him, he offered him a certain position, but Bernard said he would have to think it over and talk to his people about it. I thought before he came in, that if he in a bookstore he wanted to get a position, but he told me it was on a magazine. When I asked him what he thought he could do on a magazine, however, he was very hazy, and I was afraid I could say nothing for him, that there was not enough impulse and power to allow him to take hold in this maelstrom of rush and movement over here. I suppose I shall hear from him again as to the result of his visit, and I shall advise him to go into a bookstore if he can, and I shall be glad to send him to one or two if he wants to buy. But you know all these people is sent a sort of hop from the bottom, and especially if a boy without expectation.

We made a good [illegible] home from Syracuse [illegible] last night, [illegible] I think, but I do not believe he could be got for [illegible]. He is very [illegible] preparing some matters for a conference in Washington. I do not know [illegible] Carter, Dr. Dana's assistant, has been in Washington [illegible] the [illegible]

Mrs. Reigh, [illegible]

[illegible] is [illegible], and if so, and he could come, I [illegible] would be a very good man. [illegible] address is, Rev. Roy H. Carter, Walnut Street, Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. [illegible] Fleming, of Union Seminary, is a very capable man, who has been [illegible] in India for three years, and is now here taking some special studies. [illegible] with the College, I suppose you would not want anybody to come from outside [illegible] I. U. [illegible] His address is 4040 Spruce Street, Philadelphia. He is very much interested in missions study, and is spending his time now trying to get young people to take it up.

[illegible], I have never spoken on the text "The glory of young men is their strength," [illegible] I think I spoke once to the boys [illegible] "The strong."

[illegible] with pleasure to Sunday, and with much love from Emma and me,

Your mother's friend,

Robert E. Speer.

[illegible]

[illegible] Lancaster
[illegible] Lagrange Street
[illegible] Germantown, Phila., Pa.

My dear Dorsie [illegible]:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. February 7th will suit me very well. Either three or four [illegible] will be all right. I judge from your note that three [illegible] better, so that I shall get down that hour, unless you [illegible] Please don't take the trouble to answer unless you [illegible]

Miss Smith has gone to the Janviers, and the [illegible] South Broad Street.

I was out in Harrisburg last evening speaking, but was there for only a few hours between trains. Mrs. Bailey seemed to be very well.

Emma and the children are well, although they have [illegible]

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

Mr. F. L. Jordtey, Jnl.,

Princeton, N. J.

December 1st, 1901.

My Dear Mr. Jordtey:-

The following I think would be good men to whom you might send the Society's Report:

Alexander, J. H. Barr, Bayard, Berry, Bonsall, Bovard, Carter, Chase, De Magre, Dix, Fulton, Furst, Geo. Gillispie, Graham, Gray, Gulick, Hotchkiss, Higbee, Hunter, Hutchinsch, King, Lee, Live, A. McCord, McCullough, G. Merrill, Montgomery, Morris, Mount, Lodge, Muhr, Noel, Noyes, Pendleton, Perkins, Pollock, Prendiff, Quinn, Rand, Remington, Robbins, Rollins, Sailer, Scofield, S. H., L. M. Smith, W. W. Smith, Sprout, D. K. Taylor, Terhune, J. Thorpe, S. Thorpe, Todd, Whitney. Perhaps this is too long a list. If so, just send it back to me, and I will cross off as many names as you say.

Pierson would be a very good man to make up a list for you.

Very cordially yours,

Walter E. Bigelow.

December 18th, 1902.

T. S. McMurtrie, Esq.,

Huntingdon, Penna.

My Dear Uncle Stewart:-

Your kind letter of yesterday, with the enclosure of check covering the interest on my quarter loan, is just received. Thank you very much.

We are all very well at home, and in great expectation of Santa Claus. Elliott told me he heard him up the chimney of the dining room the other day, and that there were little bits of brick in the fireplace that Santa Claus had knocked down. Their notions are amazingly confused, but they are getting less of them out of them. I wish you and Aunt Kid might be there to spend Christmas with them and us.

Looking forward to seeing you again before you get off to your winter regions, and with much love to Aunt Clara,

Your affectionate nephew,

Robert E. Speer.

Dec. 18th, 1902.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,

#1031 Walnut St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Trumbull:-

I am sorry I neglected to say in my previous letter that of course I would write the editorials you wanted during on the lessons on The Acts. I hardly know what subject I shall write on, but the ones that have occurred to me, although I have not settled on them, are these: "Paul's Fear of a Callous Heart;" "Paul's Love of the Homely Virtues;" "Paul's Friendliness a Secret of his Power." When I really get to it, however, I may write something entirely different.

Very affectionately yours,

Chas.

December 17th, 1902.

The Rev. John D. Wells, D. D.,
155 South Third Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Wells:

I thank you very much for your most kind and discriminating and helpful letter regarding "Missionary Principles and Practice". Thank you very much for calling attention to the two typographical errors, which you noticed and which I shall try to have corrected. Thank you very much also for calling attention to the mistake in exegesis of John XVI, 13. At the same time I think the error is one of exegesis of the verse and not of the meaning of the passage. I often quote that passage and shall be careful not to put into the verse what I think is in the context, although the verse itself ought to be of course from itself.

I have sometimes been inclined to agree with what you say regarding the choice of Matthias and did not say more on page 438 than simply that it was after prayer and request for guedance that Matthias was chosen. Whether they made a mistake or not, I do not know, but they evidently sought to know what God's will was.

It is so good to hear from you always, and I shall count it forever one of the great blessings of life to have known and loved you.

Very affectionately yours,

December 20th, 1912.

Mrs. Charles L. Bailey,
31 South Front Street,
Harrisburg, Penna.

Dear Mother:

Your note about the books came the other day and Miss Dickie went down at once to order them for you. I hope that they have come before this. Please let me know if I can do anything else.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer

December 22nd, 1922.

Mrs. John C. Emmons,

Englewood, N. J.

My Dear Mrs. Emmons,-

I return herewith the clipping from the Bulletin, reporting Dr. Sample's sermon. There are several mistakes in it, such as his statement that the first and third Gospels were not written until the end of the second century. And Matthew does not say that Joseph's house was in Bethlehem. But these are of small consequence. The great mistake which he makes, and which is often made, is that the divinity of Christ is dependent upon the miraculousness of His birth. If Jesus could be God and yet be born of a virgin, He could be God just as well if Joseph had been His father. The doctrine of the Immaculate Conception is not necessary to the belief in the divinity of Christ. It is true that the Gospels of Matthew and Luke teach the virgin birth of Jesus, and I believe it; but I do not think that the divinity of Christ is dependent upon it at all. The chapters telling us of His birth might be cut out of the Gospels altogether, and the ground of belief in His divinity would not, in my judgment, be affected at all. I think that is the real reason for Paul's never referring to the story of the virgin birth. He evidently believes that Jesus was divine, and he [illegible] it without any dependence on the virgin birth of the Saviour.

In my judgment all life is in a real sense a miracle, and every birth just as miraculous as though it were what the birth of Jesus is declared to have been in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke.

Dr. Sample is altogether wrong in his assumption that the nature of Jesus is in any sense whatever dependent upon the nature of his physical origin.

I notice one other mistake in the quotation, Matthew does not say that

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[illegible] in Jesus's and Mary's house. He says nothing whatever about [redacted] House a man born. That is another very common mistake made in criticising the Gospels. They are held to say a great many things which they do not say, simply on the ground that they do not say something contradictory.

Thank you very much for letting me see the clipping. I have told you quite frankly what I think about it.

With best wishes for the happiest of Christmasses to you and Mr. Eaton and Cayton, I am,

Very cordially yours,

December 24th, 1932.

Dr. Eleanor Chestnut,
c/o William Godfrey, Esq.,
D i x o n , Ill.

My dear Dr. Chestnut:

I have just mailed you at Mrs. Speer's request a copy of a formidable book, which goes with the best Christmas greetings from Mrs. Speer and me. You need not read the book!

With warm regards,

Very sincerely yours,

William T. Speer

December 24th, 1902.

Mr. Owen Crimmins,
Wentworths Location,
New Hampshire.

My dear Mr. Crimmins:

You may remember two fishermen who came down from Camp Diamond and spent a night with you last August, who went back up Pond Brook and with whom you kindly sent part of the way. We remember very well your kindness to us and also your little children, and I am sending you from my little children a package of books, which may help your little ones to pass some of the Winter evenings pleasantly.

If you are at the farm next Summer, I think you will be likely to see us again.

I hope that you are having a good Winter and that you may have a happy Christmas. You are pretty far away from the outside people, but you are not far away from the One whose birthday we celebrate to-morrow and whose love is the best thing in the world.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year to you and your family from Mr. Grant and myself, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Peary

December 24th, 1902.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Dr. Miller:

I want to thank you for your good letter of December 15th. [illegible] forward circle. I am glad to be in the [illegible], and especially grateful for this close relationship to you. I wish it were possible [illegible] you more frequently and I hope to [illegible] so do so more in the future. But whether I do or not, I always get help from thinking about you and from remembering what Paul would call your "ways in Christ".

With warm regards and best Christmas greetings,

Very affectionately yours,

[illegible]

December [illegible], 1902.

Miss Ethelwyn Blanchard,
East Northfield, Mass

My dear Miss Blanchard:

Your very kind note of the 22nd is received, and I beg leave to thank you and our Class for your cordial Christmas greetings.

With best wishes for a happy Christmas and a blessed New Year for you all, I am,

Very cordially yours,

R [illegible]

December 24th, 1922.

Mr. D. S. McCurtrie,

Huntingdon, Penna.

My dear Uncle Stewart:

Emma received yesterday your letter about Aunt Clara's bag, and I went to Corham's this morning to ask about it and was told that it had been sent yesterday. The salesman told me that he had received your letter and had answered it and was very sorry that it had not been possible to send it off earlier, but I hope it has reached you in ample time.

Elliott and Margaret are looking forward with jubilation to to-morrow. It takes me back to the old days to see their glee. Each morning for some time, Margaret informs us that she has dreamt about Santa Claus and every sound up the chimney they are sure is made by him. It makes me feel good all over just to think of their happiness and delight.

Emma and I and they all join in sending you and all the others the most loving and joyful Christmas greetings.

Hoping you may have a beautiful day and with warmest love from us all,

Your affectionate nephew,

Robert E. Speer

December 28th, 1912.

Miss Margaret H. Shearman,
1610 West 9th Street,
Wilmington, Delaware.

My dear Margaret

When we ordered those books from the Board of Publication for you, we told them to send the bill to you. Instead of [illegible] I [illegible] it herewith to save needless correspondence [illegible] to the [illegible] Publication here. I send the bill in duplicate, so that you can keep one and return the other to Mr. Hibbard.

I hope you had a Happy Christmas. We had a jubilant day, beginning early and fortunately ending early also. You and Grandmother Susie were often remembered.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

December 29th, 1902.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Charlie:

I have written one editorial which I have entitled, although I do not like the title very well, "Paul and the Problem of a Man's Thoughts". I wish you would give it some better title. I shall send it over in a few days. Will you want more than two others?

The subjects "Paul's Love of the Homely Virtues" and "Paul's Friendliness, the Secret of His Success" would bear on some of the lessons.

I enclose herewith the Young People's Column copy until through March.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year,

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

December 30th, 1904.

Mrs. H. M. Whittemore,
Tremont Temple,
Boston, Mass.

My Dear Mrs. Whittemore:-

I was afraid I would not be able to write the little article you wanted, and yesterday dictated a note to this effect; but I found time to do it last night, and have pleasure in enclosing it herewith.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very cordially yours,

December 30th, 1902.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
[illegible]

My Dear Charlie:-

I enclose herewith one of the Paul editorials.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very affectionately yours,

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Miss Jean Mateer,
The Home School,
Everett, Mass.

My dear Miss Mateer:

I was very glad to get the other day your letter regarding your vacation plans and the visit you were going to make to your friend. I have remembered you and her and your purpose to win her to Christ in prayer and shall earnestly hope that God may enable you to succeed, or rather, shall Himself succeed through you. I hope you are having a very happy holiday season, and with best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Very cordially yours,

December 29th,1902.

Mr. Will R. Moody,

East Northfield,Mass.

My dear Will:

Some time ago Mr. Briggs told me that you wanted me to write a note on Professor Coe's book for the book reviews in "The Record of Christian Work". I wrote something as soon as possible,but it has not been called out until now. I enclose it herewith. It may be a much more favorable review of the book than you feel it deserves, or than Dr. Gunsaulus,whose judgment on books is very interesting to me, would approve of, but he might be right in such a view. I merely send on the note,because Mr Briggs asked me to do so.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year,

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

December 28th, 1902.

Mr. H. W. Rankin,
119 Macon Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rankin:

Your most interesting and helpful letters of Dec. 21st, 23d, 24th and 25th are received. I am putting all the invaluable suggestions you make regarding Bowen with the other papers on the subject and shall come back to them all many times.

Thank you very much for your suggestion regarding your cousin in Peekskill. I shall be glad to send him any of the material which I have of yours, or of anyone else, regarding Bowen. It will be a long time before all the material can be in hand that ought to be rifled over in the preparation of the biography, and my idea of what such a biography should be corresponds with yours.

I am pasting in the cover of the first volume of the Guardian which you sent your letter of the 24th with a list of all articles and books which you have sent.

I was interested in what you said regarding Drummond's indebtedness to Bushnell Could you let me know what evidence you have of that?

I am writing to Dr. Cuyler to get at least his personal expression of appreciation, so as to have it in case of his death.

I thoroughly agree with your view of Professor James' work. I have been surprised a number of times at the unsympathetic attitude toward it of Christian scholars. Whatever may be thought of his books

religiously, philosophically they certainly defend the positions which must be maintained if we are to be allowed any religious life at all, and Professor James is certainly drawing closer all the time to our own positions.

I was very much interested in what you state regarding Bowen's change to a thoroughly Wesleyan position in theology. Dr. Atterbury had a contrary notion. I presume when I get to work on the Guardians, they will contain full information.

I shall be writing to all our Indian Missions shortly and shall ask them to send any reminiscences of Bowen, or put me on the track of any sources of information of which they may know. There are certainly some old men in the missions who will doubtless remember Bowen. I shall write to the Humes in Bombay, asking them for help also.

Thank you very much for all the helpful setting forth of the evidence regarding Dr McCartee's general position and Japanese scholarship. I hope that nothing may interfere with your completion of his Life. I am sending Dr. Greene your comment on his letter.

With best wishes for a happy and blessed New Year, I am,

Very cordially yours

December 29th, 1902.

The Rev. George Robson, D. D.,
Carry Lodge,
Perth, Scotland.

My dear Dr. Robson:

I appreciate very much the kind Christmas greeting from you and Mrs. Robson. It is always a pleasure to think of you and of your Town, and I hope that sometime again in our lives our paths may cross.

With kind regards and best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Very cordially yours,

December 30th, 1902.

The Rev. J. C. Rankin,
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Rankin:-

Mr. Henry Rankin has doubtless written to you of his having turned over to me to keep for him until called for, all his material on George Bowen. He says he wishes you to have access to it at any time. I write to say that I shall of course hold it at your disposal.

Have you any personal recollections of Bowen, or of his kindness, or any knowledge of sources of information regarding him which it would be desirable to follow up?

Very cordially yours,

December 30th, 1902.

Mr. Ralph Wells,
1533 Eighteenth Street,
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. Wells:-

Your very kind note in answer to my letter to Bowen was received some time ago. I can understand how difficult it must be to recall incidents after all these years, but what you could remember would be simply invaluable. The number of those who knew Bowen personally is diminishing fast, and it seems to me it would be an untold pity for their memories of Bowen to die without preservation. Could you not from time to time jot down personal recollections, especially write out your own personal estimate and view, so that I could incorporate it in the volume when I come to prepare it?

I know it is asking a good deal also, but would it not be possible to get access to those letters of Bowen's which you have? If I could take the trouble that would be necessary, I should be very glad to do so. It seems to me that the importance of Bowen's life is so great that no trouble is too much to take to make the record of it as full and complete as possible. And I should be glad to do anything that needed to be done to unearth those letters which you may have of his stored away here.

With warm regards to Mrs. Wells and yourself, and best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am,

Very cordially yours,

December 30th, 1902.

The Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D.,
101 South Oxford Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Cuyler:-

I have been interested for some years in George Bowen, of Bombay, and have been asked to take up the work of preparing a volume of life and letters, with some attempt to deal adequately with the unique character and career of a man whom Bishop William Taylor calls, "The Lamb of India." Mr. Robinson of Calcutta, into whose hands George Bowen's papers in India came at his death, has offered to place all his material at my disposal; and Dr. Atterbury and other friendshave, are gathering all they can. I do not know whether you had any personal acquaintance with Bowen or not, but I do know of your interest in and appreciation of him, and I write to ask whether you have any personal reminiscences or any letters from Bowen which you would let me have, or if not, whether you would some time jot down your personal view of the man that I might embody it in the book.

With warm regards, and best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am,

Very affectionately yours,

January [illegible], 1903.

The Rev. J. P. Wilson, D. D.,
Wilmerston Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Dr. Wilson:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I wrote the well article in the Review on Sunday two weeks ago and have it at home. I held it over, gathering from a letter of [illegible] you would not need any more material from me until this month. I shall send it to you to-morrow, with some other material perhaps. You will let me know frankly, will you not, in case you do not need any more editorial notes or short editorials from me.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

Mr. E. S. Dillingham,
Englewood, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Dillingham:

I have been thinking over what you proposed the other morning with reference to the Lyle property, and must say that I really do not think that I can consider the matter [illegible] Know that Mr. Walker would not want to do so, and I have [illegible] up my mind to buy property out in Englewood [illegible] I can now see, prefer to be not so far away.

Very sincerely yours,

January 2nd, 1902.

Miss Isabel Maddison,
Bryn Mawr College,
Bryn Mawr, Penna.

Dear Miss Maddison:

Your kind note of December 31st is just received. The 8 o'clock hour will be quite satisfactory to me, and I hope that you will not think of changing the time on my account.

Very sincerely yours,

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[illegible] that Navy shuffleboard? Has it [illegible] on the journey to Huntington yet? My Aunt, who is very much interested in the game, is going off to Jamaica in a week or so and she would like, if possible, [illegible] the thing [illegible] before she [illegible]. Can you tell me the present status [illegible] and yet, could you hurry it up.

[illegible] yours,

[illegible]

January 2nd, 1903.

[illegible]
Second Temple,
[illegible]
Waterbury

[illegible] kind note of yesterday, with its enclosed [illegible] received. I return the receipt herewith. I am glad [illegible] this is what you wanted.

[illegible] best wishes for the New Year and warm regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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January 3rd, 1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller,-

I enclose herewith the next article for the Young Men's Series. It got a little long, so that I have had to cut it down considerably, and I hope that I have brought it within the proper length.

I enclose also some short editorials and editorial notes. I hope I am not sending too many of these. If you would let me know about how much you want each month, I could then avoid overdoing the thing or underdoing it.

With loving wishes for the New Year.

Very affectionately yours,

January 8th,1903.

Miss Clara McKurtrie,

Huntingdon,Penna.

My dear Aunt Clara:

I have just heard from Mr. Millar that the shuffle-board was shipped last Friday. I enclose the Bill of Lading from the Railroad Company. Mr. Millar writes that he has not yet received the bill for boxing,shipping,etc , but will let me know as soon as it comes.

Looking forward to seeing you here very soon,and trusting the shuffleboard will have reached you before this letter.

Very lovingly yours,

Enc.

January 5th, 1902.

Mr. Dwight Meigs,
1920 Wellington Avenue,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Dwight:-

You are just starting in on your experience in business, and I am glad you are going to have it, and know that you are glad too. It ought to be a time of great help to you in the ripening and solidifying of your character. And if it does not do that, it will have been a woful experience, and the only way in which you can do that, is to carry with you into your life these months, the principles in which you believe, and live by them and live for them. I do not believe there is anything as much admired and sought after in this world as true character. The man for whom other men are looking and on whom they depend is the man who believes in what is right, who allows no departure from it, and who holds himself sternly to unwavering devotion and high principle and to the truth. I met the other night, at a reception, several of the most successful business men I know. One of them was, and the other was not a religious man, but they were both agreed in their estimate of what kind of character was highest and best. They liked the man who believed, and who was not afraid to express his beliefs in his life. You know what is back of you in Christmas, in prayer, and in anxious ambition for you. You know what is right, and you love it. Now just be yourself this year, utterly faithful to your ideals for yourself, and to the ideals of those you love best for you. Be your own man and live your own life. You can't afford to neglect your Bible and prayer. Put them first in each day, and last. Remember Jesus Christ. And may God keep you.

With best wishes for the New Year.

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

January 9th, 1903.

Mr. George W. Boyd,
Broad Street Station.
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

I have received your kind communication of January 1st enclosing Clerical Order No. 6476, for which I beg leave to express my obligation.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Henry H. Tifft,

[illegible], New York.

My Dear Mr. Tifft:-

I am [illegible] from [illegible]

will prevent my being present at the [illegible] Meeting of

the Board of Directors of the [illegible] Asylum, on Wednesday

[illegible]

Very [illegible],

[illegible]

January [illegible], 1902.

Miss Caroline [illegible],

[illegible],

Bethany, [illegible].

My dear Miss Bangholm:-

I am sorry I cannot tell you

[illegible] know what I shall speak about. I am afraid I shall not

let you know in time so that you could post it.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

January 10th, 1902.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

[illegible] Hall, West.

My dear Mr. Moody:-

I received [illegible], very kind note

of January 7th, with the generous enclosure. [illegible] very

much obliged to you.

You will not forget to keep the next night free

when you come down [illegible] in May

[illegible]

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible], [illegible]

Miss Helen P. Burrus,
1612 Olympic Building,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Miss Burrus:

I have read with much interest your letter of [illegible] 9th, with its enclosure. Any one who goes around much, meets constantly [illegible] of mind expressed in the letter from which you sent an extract. The fact that there is so much looks and slipshod thinking, indicates all the more clearly the importance of our standing for the truth. I think you would find possibly more outspoken opinion of the sort represented in this extract in the faculties of our colleges, than you would among the strongest students. The students are down closer to [illegible] than many of their teachers are, and the line between truth and falsehood is not as blurred and indefinite to them as it is to some of their instructors. It is not a metaphysical issue that separates evangelical Christians from non-evangelical Christians. It is historical; - partly that and partly a matter of veracity in the use of language. Either the Gospel representations of Jesus are true, or they are not; that is largely a historical question. Either the words of Christ are to be interpreted as we interpret other language, or they are not. That is a question of veracity in the use of speech. It is a very easy thing to gloss over these questions by saying that the divinity of Christ is a metaphysical question. It is nothing of the sort. The metaphysical scheme in which people try to explain Christ, and still keep a certain glamor of the ideal and noble about Him, while at the same time they dig out all the foundations of veracity [illegible] under Him and His words. We have got to stand like a rock on [illegible]. Let us be open-minded and tolerant always, but the spirit [illegible] make us traitors to the truth.

[illegible] interested in the suggestion in the letter which you sent, that the [illegible] text is not the oldest, but not the oldest. Ask your correspondent to turn back to the Second Epistle of John. The text could not be more explicitly stated [illegible] there, unless it be in the First Epistle, which is also the great letter of love.

[illegible] unquestionably, that there is a good deal of Universalism and [illegible] in the evangelical Churches. It is true, also, that there is a great [illegible] to Unitarianism and Universalism. Possibly the evangelical basis of [illegible] work is not expressed in the best way, or in a way that will [illegible] enduring. But the principle that underlies it is sound. It is an ignorance of history, and not an acquaintance with metaphysics that is responsible for the [illegible] that this basis is antiquated, or the arrival of [illegible] Church is premature.

This is a great [illegible] - the great issue of Christianity. The early Church would have made its power felt any day if it had been willing to accept the view that is now [illegible] upon us. It won its persecutions, and it also conquered the world by [illegible] to compromise or surrender. When Paul placed everything to the Resurrection, it was simply his way of declaring that he would stand or fall by the divinity of Christ, with a unique [illegible] space for which there is no philosophical justification that attempts to meet the difficulties by inaccurate or careless speech about Jesus being more than an ordinary man or a super-human miracle. You will find some good positions [illegible] exactly this point of view, in Simcox's "The Faith of [illegible]."

Here I have been preaching at you as though you were the professor. Don't [illegible] Stay among the people who live in the midst of life, and who, if they [illegible] the man across his bones, know also the joy of being in daily

[illegible] for the New Year.

Very cordially yours,

Robt. E. Speer

[illegible], [illegible], 1914.

Miss Mary Caswell,
Wellesley College,
Wellesley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Caswell:-

[illegible] January 17 [illegible] Sunday. I think [illegible] College, but I have promised my [illegible] to come to me on Tuesday evening, and remain there as long as I am in Wellesley. Think, too, for you have asked Mrs. Spear to come with me. I am sure she would enjoy coming so, but she will not be able to leave home at this time.

I have written Miss Breyfogle that I will be glad to speak in Niss Hall at the Vesper Service Sunday evening.

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer

The Rev. T. Newton Cyen,

Bristol, R. I.

My dear Newt:

Let's drop the misters. Not only do I recall you but I recall a score of things about you as distinctly as though it had been only yesterday that we had been at school together, and I remember my visit to Hamilton perfectly yet and our meeting again there. It is a very great pleasure to hear from you, and to know where you are. I have enjoyed the sermon which you sent me very much and trust our ways may cross more in the future than in the last few years.

With best wishes and the hope that God may abundantly bless you in your work, I am,

Very cordially yours,

January 10th, 1907

Mr. La Salle A. Maynard,
Pittsfield, Mass.

My dear Mr. Maynard:

I enclose herewith the two articles which you wished me to write.

I received some copies of one of the papers, containing my Christmas article.

Trusting that you are well, I am,

Very truly yours,

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My Dear Miss Wyl:-

Your note of yesterday is just received. I can just as well change the date of my appointment with you from February nineteenth to February 26th., and shall hold that date for you until I hear from you.

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[illegible]

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Mr. W. D. Miller,
[illegible],
New York City.

My dear Miller:

Thank you very much for your note of the 14th regarding the shuffleboard. It was seen received in Huntingdon and the people are delighted with it. By [illegible] and [illegible], if you [illegible] send me a bill for the shuffleboard and for boxing and [illegible], as soon as you know the exact amount, I will remit at once.

Thanking you for your trouble, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

January [illegible],

Mr. Frederick M. Smith,
35 West 21st Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Smith:

I have a letter from the Rev. Charles J. Godsman of Auburn, Washington, urging the publication as a leaflet of the article which I wrote for the January number of your paper on the work of the Presbyterian Church. In case this should be done, I would like to add to the article the paragraph or sentences which are to be dropped off the end because of the limitations of your space. I have written to Mr. Godsman that the article belongs to you.

Very sincerely yours,

January 16th,1903.

The Rev. Charles J. Godsman,

Auburn, Washington.

My dear Mr. Godsman:

Your kind letter of January 8th is just received. I am grateful for your appreciative words about the article in the "Woman's Home Companion". They cut off a paragraph or two at the end, because I presume they did not have space, which ought to be added in case the article is ever republished as a leaflet. I have no objection to its being published in such form, but it is, of course, the property now of the Woman's Home Companion and could only be used with their consent. Our Board could scracely publish this article as a leaflet, because it is not distinctively a foreign missionary article, but the Board of Publication in Philadelphia could issue it or I suppose the General Assembly's Evangelistic Committee.

I think it is a good sign that the paper should be so interested in religious subjects and I believe it is true generally that people are everywhere interested in religion and are glad to know about it and to respond to its claims when they are rightly presented. I am writing to the editor of the Woman's Home Companion.

Very cordially yours,

January 19th,1903.

Mr. W. P. Millar,
3 West 29th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Millar:

I enclose herewith my check for $62.50, covering the cost of [illegible] lettered, outfit, boxing and shipping to Huntingdon, Pa.

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.

January 20th, 1902.

Professor John H. Gillespie,
Theological Seminary,
New Brunswick, N. J.

My Dear Dr. Gillespie:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I shall look forward with pleasure to accepting your kind invitation for tomorrow. Please do not let anyone go to the trouble of meeting me at the train. I shall come straight up to your house, and shall hope to get there some time before half past six o'clock.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

January 19th, 1903.

The Rev. A. J. Brown, D. D.,
17 Chestnut Street,
East Orange, N. J

My dear Dr. Brown:

I am coming out to see you just as soon as I can. We are rejoicing in your recovery, only you must take things slowly and rest a bit. This sickness has been a providential dispensation to this end. You mustn't now frustrate or attempt to frustrate Providence by getting up a big steam pressure at a time when the gauge wants rest.

You will regret to learn that Mrs. Ford has passed away. A good letter from Dr. Henry Jessup this morning tells of her death on the 31st day of December.

You will be interested in the action of the Syria Mission with reference to your Reports. I quote it herewith:

"Resolved that the Syria Mission take the first opportunity of expressing to Dr. Brown its cordial appreciation of the eminently fair and judicial way in which he has treated the larger problems of the Syria Mission work in his Report on Syria, of his kindly and sympathetic recognition of the limitations which hinder any sudden or radical solution of the problems within the Turkish Empire and of the warm expression of friendship and brotherly interest which he now entertains towards every individual member of our Mission, after having met them face to face in the sphere of their labor - that we assure him, at this time of his illness, of our most heartfelt sympathy and that we have and do, commend him to God, asking for his speedy recovery and return to his accustomed labors; That Mr. Hoskins be instructed to collate and forward to Dr. Brown a list of the typographical and other small errors which might be corrected in any new edition of his report on Syria.

Many letters from the various missions are filled with just the same kind of expressions.

We had a good meeting of the Annual Conference of Secretaries

last week in the Bible hours. Dr Dancar [illegible] his paper, giving impressions of his tour, with a very kind reference to you and there were other expressions of sympathy also.

Regarding business, not a word.

With a great deal of love from us all,

Very affectionately yours,

January 21st, 1911.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Miller:

I have not quite made up my mind about publishing those articles on "A Young Man's Questions". They would make only a small booklet; the kind publishers don't like to issue, and yet some of those articles appear to have proved helpful and there are four or five of them that I could make use of myself now and then as tracts. I think I had better get them together and let Revell see them. Would it be asking too much to request a copy of each issue of "Forward" which contained one of them? I have a set, but they are all pasted in a scrap book and would have to be cut out. I had turned over in my mind the possibility of getting out some time a book on "Young Men and Religion", although I have not been settled as to the name, embracing some of these articles and covering the ground from a great many other points of view as well, but I feel hardly prepared to do this just now. Then I had thought also of the possibility of waiting until the end of this year and combining in one volume the twelve Young Men and the twelve Questions.

I really had not decided what to do and should be very grateful for any word of counsel from you.

Very affectionately yours,

R. [illegible]

January 21st, 1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Dr. Miller:

Your kind letter of yesterday is just received. I think I am very glad to write some of the longer editorials for Forward, and will count it a privilege to try to be of some help to you in this way.

Very affectionately yours,

Rob. Ellis

January 23rd, 1903.

Mr. Charles C. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Charlie:-

Thank you very much for your notes of the 20th and 21st. I shall be glad to make use some time of the facts about the Christian Endeavor work if they fit in.

I noticed the little paragraph you printed at the close of Professor Ramsey's article, and appreciate his kind reference to it. I got another of his books at Christmas time, and find ever fresh and original views in them.

Very affectionately yours,

January 23rd, 1903.

James T. White & Co.,
5 East 16th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sirs:-

I have corrected, and return herewith requested, the proofs left with me yesterday.

Very truly yours,

January 23rd, 1905.

Fleming H. Revell Company,

158 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

Dear Sirs:-

I enclose herewith a bill for a year's subscription to the British Weekly. Mrs. Spear tells me that you have given her a credit of two dollars for the Lewis Carroll book illustrated by Peter Newell, which she left, and I enclose my check for seventy-five cents to make up the balance.

With reference to the bill for "The White Bird" and "The Valley of Decision" enclosed, the credit for the two Danny's will provide for it.

If this is not satisfactory please let me know.

Very truly yours,

January 24th, 1905.

Mr. F. P. Turner,

9 West 29th Street, N. Y. City.

Dear Turner:-

I return herewith the MSS of the pamphlet on "The Missionary Call." I am sorry I could not send it to you before, but I was hoping to get hold of one or two little things to put into it, which I couldn't lay my hands on. I think it will do, though, as it is. I wish you would let me read the proof, however.

I have not been able to find the quotation from Dean Vaughn, though I remember it very well. You must have it some where where you can get your hand on it. If so, will you please insert it?

I notice one or two phrases that would be more intelligible if you mentioned at the beginning that this pamphlet was the report of an address at Northfield. That would account, also, for its obviously colloquial character.

Very cordially yours,

January 23rd, 1903.

Mrs. J. H. Huston,

Clintondale, Penna.

My Dear Mrs. Huston:-

I was very glad to receive the other day your kind letter of January 12th, and to have it bring back so vividly the visit to the Clintondale Camp Meeting, which I remember so lovely. I greatly enjoyed that little excursion, and have often looked back to it.

I wish I could be of some more help to you in the matter of the Speer genealogy. I have a cousin who looked the matter up very carefully, and I think I will write to him and get the family tree. The traditions as they have come down to us are to the effect that my Grandfather Robert Speer, and his wife Agnes Cowen Speer, came over to this country from County Antrim, some time early in the last century. His father did not come over here, but his grandfather did. His name was John Speer, and he was a lieutenant on General Washington's staff, I believe, and died at Valley Forge. Mr. James Speers, of the firm of McCutcheon & Co., who himself came over from County Antrim, told me that there were very few of the family left, the head of it being a substantial, godly old man, named Gordon Speer, living at Ballycobert, near Belfast. My father and sister made a visit to Ballycobert some years ago, and found some members of the family still there

I had a letter once from Judge Emory Speer, of Georgia, asking about the family line, and offering to send me a copy of the family tree which he had worked out, but which I have never received. I shall write to him asking him for it.

Thank you very much for the information in your letter. If I find out anything from my cousin and from Judge Speer that would be useful to you, I shall be glad to send it.

I ought to add that old Dr. William Speer of Washington, Penna, comes from

another branch of the same family. Possibly he is connected with the line of which you write. I think I shall write to him and ask him to write down what he knows of the family line.

Mr. James Speers says that we all come from a Covenanter preacher named Speer, who, in the days of the Claverhouse persecutions, led his little flock from Scotland over to the North of Ireland. If that is true, I am satisfied. That is better than nobility.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

January 23rd, 1903.

Mr. George G. Speer,

Denver, Colorado.

My Dear George:-

I have an inquiry from Mrs. J. H. Huston, of Clintondale, Pennsylvania, whose maiden name was Evelyn Hammond Riddell, with reference to the Speer genealogy. She writes of a visit I paid to Clintondale fourteen years ago:

"As you were leaving, I said to you that 'Speer' was a family name of ours, and when you went back to Huntingdon you wrote me all you knew of us. Then I knew but little of the Speer ancestry - only that my mother's name was Isabella Speer Cooke - daughter of David Speer Cooke, whose mother was Mary Speer. I did not know her father's name then, but lately some old family Bibles have come to light, and we find her father was Robert Speer. Came to Donegal, Lancaster Co. Pa. Died there in 1800, aged eighty-four years. See 'History of Donegal Presbyterian Church' by Dr. J. J. Ziegler. His son, Wm. moved to Baltimore, and his daughter married Wm. Patterson. Their daughter, Elizabeth Patterson, married Jerome Bonaparte, and his son - Robert's son - Robert, moved to the Juniatta, in Huntingdon Co. We had a disastrous fire since you wrote me what you had of family genealogy, so your letter is not here for reference; but I remember you wrote the family came from Ireland, and the history says Robert Speer (or Spear) came from that country. I have the beautiful solid silver sugar tongs that belonged to my great, grandmother, Mary Speer Cooke, with her initials engraved thereon. I am very anxious to trace her family history, as far as possible, and it occurred to me you could probably throw more light on it."

Have you got the family tree all worked out so that I could see it? Or have you got together the information which you once collected, when you were asking more that John Speer who died in Valley Forge, was our great, great grandfather?

I hope that you and Walter and Kate are all well, and trust you are coming East soon and will come and see us.

With warm regards.

Your affectionate cousin,

January 23rd, 1905.

The Rev. William Speer, D. D.,

Washington, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Speer:-

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Have you ever written out the genealogical tree, or put in writing the information that you gathered about our family lines? If you have, I should be very much obliged for an opportunity to see it. I remember our talks when you were here, but I do not remember anything of the details sufficient to bring out things for Mrs. Huston and myself.

Trusting that you are very well, and with kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

January 23rd, 1903.

The Honorable Emory Speer,

Macon, Georgia.

Dear Judge Speer:-

Some time ago you kindly wrote to me about a genealogical tree of the Speer family which you had prepared. I have wondered whether I could get a copy of this tree, Or of anything else that you may have published regarding our family lines. I should like to have it for my own information, and also to answer if possible a lady in Pennsylvania, who has written making inquiries, Mrs. J. H. Huston, whose maiden name I think was Evelyn Harmond Riddell. Referring to a visit I made to Clintondale, where she lives, some years ago, she says:

"As you were leaving, I said to you that 'Speer' was a family name of ours, and when you went back to Huntingdon, you wrote me of your ancestors. Then I knew but little of the Spear ancestry - only that my mother's names was Isabella Spear Cooke - Daughter of David Spear Cooke, whose mother was Mary Spear. I did not know her father's name then, but lately some old family Bibles have come to light, and we find her father was Robert Spear. Came to Donegal, Lancaster Co., Pa. Died there in 1800, aged eighty-four years. See 'History of Donegal Presbyterian Church' by Dr. J. J. Ziegler. His Son, Wm. moved to Baltimore, and his daughter married Wm. Patterson. Their daughter, Elizabeth Patterson, married Jerome Bonepart, and his son - Robert's son - Robert, moved to the Juniatta, in Huntingdon Co. We had a disastrous fire since you wrote me what you had of family genealogy, so your letter is not here for reference; but I remember you wrote the family came from Ireland, and the history says Robert Speer (or Spear) came from that country. I have the beautiful solid silver sugar tongs that belonged to my great grandmother, Mary Spear Cooke, with her initials engraved thereon. I am very anxious to trace her family history, as far as possible, and it occurred to me you could probably throw more light on it."

I shall be much obliged for any help that you can give.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E.

January 23rd, 1909.

The Rev. J. A. Terhune,

Millerton, N. Y.

My Dear Jack:-

Your good letter of the 19th was received day before yesterday. I do not expect to come up to the Hotchkiss School until March 6th. If I could arrange to speak for you that evening, I should be glad to do so. I ought to stay at the school, however, until after the Vesper Service Sunday afternoon, when if you could send over for me, I should be glad to come over and speak for you, so far as I can now see. Although it may be that some appointments in Buffalo on Monday, may interfere, as I might have to go from Millerton by way of Chatham, Sunday evening. I do not like to do this sort of thing, however, and shall not do it if it can possibly be avoided. If I cannot come then, however, I expect to make only one other visit to the Hotchkiss School, on May 31st, but could probably come over for that evening. Believe me it will be a real pleasure to come.

I suppose that perhaps the best thing you could do with the five dollars you have for missionary books, is to buy the "Conquest Missionary Library," issued by the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Tremont Temple, Boston, containing ten volumes for five dollars. You could not get as many books for this amount in any other way. If you would like to buy some separate books, then I would suggest the following: "Report of the Ecumenical Conference," Walsh's "Heroes of the Mission Field," and "Modern Heroes of the Mission Field." Liggins' "Great Value and Success of Foreign Missions," Marshall's "The Evangelization of the World," and Mott's, "Evangelization of the World in This Generation." I think these would use up the five dollars. You could get these through Revell or Wanamaker, or

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perhaps better still, through the bookstore of the Board of Publication in this building. Just tell them that you are a minister, and they will of course give you the best rates they can.

With kind regards to Mrs. Jack.

Your sincere friend,

January 23rd, 1905.

Mr. James Dawson,
10 Archibald Place,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

My Dear Dawsons-

I was delighted to get a few days ago your Christmas note, and had just laid aside your letter of last Summer, which I appreciated so much, hoping to be able to answer it now. You do not know how good it is to get these little notes from you, with their assurance of your love and prayers. I hope it is not over-taxing you to write them. I think of you constantly, even without the letters, and you really must not over-reach your strength. But I hope you will write just as you have done when you can.

I am so glad that your brother is able to preach again, and that you are somewhat stronger and able to attend the Lectures. I hope his strength may be fully reestablished, and that he may be able to go on with the work, that will be life to him, and I hope to many.

I am venturing to send you by this mail, a copy of another of my books, which is a pretty big one, however, and you must not feel under any obligations to read it. I am writing at odd times on several others, especially on one I hope to complete if possible this coming Summer, entitled "The Missionary Aspects of Great Movements," dealing with movements like the Taiping Rebellion, the Indian Mutiny, the Development of Africa, the Armenian massacres, etc. Then I have begun to collect material for a life of George Bowen of Bombay. Perhaps you have heard of him? He was one of the most godly men of the last century. He lived his own life in Bombay, for the greater part of it independent of any Missionary Society, editing the Bombay Guardian, and teaching students; but for the most part preaching Christ, as indeed he preached him in his paper and in his teaching. Old William Taylor was asked once whether he knew George Bowen, and he

replied with an exclamation of delight, "George Bowen was the Lord of India." I suppose no one has ever left the personal impression on Bombay that Bowen left, or held the place he did in the life and trust of all the people. Perhaps you have seen some of his little devotional books, such as "Have Revealed," "Daily Meditations," and "The Amens of Christ." I think the oldest edition of them was one that was published in Edinburgh, Dr. Hanna contributing a little introduction telling of Bowen's life. Some of the last surviving friends have promised to put all their papers into my hands, and a missionary out in Calcutta, into whose possession Mr. Bowen's letters and papers passed at the time of his death, has written expressing his desire that I should take up the work, offering to turn over what he has. A great deal will depend on finding letters and people who have reminiscences who will not know that any such work is being undertaken, and who will soon pass away, and with them their priceless information. Won't you in your prayers remember some time to ask that many of these people may be found?

There is to be a Convention of the Student Volunteer Union in Edinburgh, in January 1904, and I have had an invitation from the Executive to come over to it. I laid the letter before our Board of course, as I would not go so far or take so much time without its consent, and the following is the action recorded in the Minutes of the meeting:

> A request from the Student Volunteer Union of Great Britain, for the presence of Mr. Speer at the next Convention of the Movement in Edinburgh, in January 1904, was presented to the Board, and it was voted to approve of Mr. Speer's going, if at the time, the conditions in the offices permitted, and the Council deemed wise.

I am not at all sure that it will be possible for me to come, but if I can, it will be a great delight, and I shall be so glad to see you again. This time I should hope to have more time also in Edinburgh, to wander around a bit with you. I often think of that last morning when you came down to the train.

There is a great deal to do here just as ever, and perhaps I should say more than ever. One of my associates has been ill with typhoid fever, and I have had

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to look after the greater part of his work. It has been good to get the closer insight into that part of the work for which he was responsible, and of which I should have had only a more general knowledge otherwise; and while I have been sorry for his sickness, I have been rather glad of this chance to take up again correspondence for myself with missionaries with whom I used to correspond, but which, in the constant adjustments of our office work, passed out of my department into another.

I try to keep track more or less of the friends in Scotland and England. I was just reading this morning, on the train coming into my office, a letter from A. G. Fraser, regarding a trip in Usoga and Kariromdo, and I had a nice letter the other day from - - -.

I was interrupted there, and had to stop this letter for a day or two, and I have forgotten now who it was I had in mind.

I hope that you are gaining strength steadily, and able to do more and more. But I hope and pray even more than this, that your heart keeps full of the same patience which has been filling it all through these days.

With a great deal of love.

Your sincere friend,

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January 29th, 19[illegible].

Mr. John N. Wood,
281 - 4th Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Wood:

I enclose herewith the copy for the proposed leaflet. Please make any changes that occur to you in the Prayer Cycle, or in the other small contributions which I have made to the leaflet. I left a blank space above the quotation from Andrew Murray that you did not like for one from the late Archbishop of Canterbury or from the Lambeth Conference. I picked out a quotation from the late Archbishop's speech at the Student Convention in London, which I can send you if you want it, but doubtless you will have something at hand or near better, or could pick out from that same address something more suitable than my selection.

Will you put the leaflet in final shape, so that we can submit it to Dr. Haven and Mr. Grant?

The prayer Cycle is pretty long, but it is difficult to see how it could be condensed without leaving out a good deal and making it unsuggestive to many. The word "irreligion" in the parenthesis is an alternative word to godlessness. Please strike out the one that you think undesirable.

Very sincerely yours,

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January 29th,1903.

The Gorham Mfg. Company,
Broadway & 19th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sirs:

Your letter of January 28th,with reference to the bronze tablet to the memory of Margaret McMurtrie is received,together with the drawing. Will you please make this tablet, as indicated,with marble backing?

Very truly yours,

February 2,1903.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown,Penna.

My dear Professor:

Your kind note of January 30th was received on Saturday. In no conditions ought you to let the chance of Dr. McClure's preaching a Sunday at the School escape unimproved, and if he can be got there, surely you ought to have him take both the morning and afternoon services. Of course, if I can really be of enough service to make it right to come, I should come with delight, but I shall be coming over for the next appointment on Sunday, March 1st, I believe, which is not so very far away, so I shall be most glad to have the opportunity of making way for Dr. McClure.

With much love to Mrs. John and you,

Your sincere friend,

February 2,1903.

Mrs. J. H. Huston,
Clintondale, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Huston:

Your kind note of January 28th is received. I am very much obliged for the information which you send. I am returning herewith the letters,having copied out a passage from one of them. I shall let you know if I hear anything in answer to my inquiries,which would be of service to you

Very cordially yours,

Enc.

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February 3,1903.

Mrs. John Helps,

Pottstown, Penna.

My dear Mrs. John:

Dr. Post would be an admirable man to speak to the boys,but he has already sailed for Syria.

Dr. W. J. Wanless of India,one of the foremost medical missionaries in that field will be home, I think, about April,and I believe he would interest the boys. He is perhaps the foremost surgeon in Southeastern India. Dr. Wanless could be addressed here in care of the Board.

Thank you very much for the copy of the little poem and also for the line from Homer ,which enabled me to find out that it was Teuthras's son that Homer is speaking.

I enclose the outline of the last Vesper talk.

With much love from Emma and myself,

Your sincere friend,

Robert E. Speer.

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February 5th, 1903.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Penna.

My Dear Professor:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. Of course if you want me to come also, I shall be only too happy to; but I was afraid such a luxurious day was almost a temptation. I shall come over Saturday evening. I have to speak in Germantown in the afternoon.

We are looking forward with delight to Mrs. John's visit next week.

Very affectionately yours,

Russell Conwell

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February 6th, 1903.

Miss Anna Woodruff Jones,
5303 Germantown Avenue,
Germantown, Penna.

My Dear Miss Jones:-

Your letter of yesterday is just received. I shall be very happy to see you after the meeting at Miss Huston's to-morrow afternoon. But I write at once to say that we do need in Japan just the kind of workers you describe, namely, unmarried women for evangelistic work. Our Missions could use six or eight such workers at once. The work would be just the kind of work for which you were receiving training in the Training School. It would be house visitation, reaching the women and children, meetings for mothers and for younger women and for children, evangelistic work in the girls' boarding schools, among the girls, work with Bible women and in Sunday school and prayer meetings.

The missionaries go out to Japan for an eight years term of service, and then they have a year at home for rest and upbuilding before going back to their work again. The Board of course pays traveling expenses and freight from the missionary's home to the field, and back again at the time of furlough. On the field in Japan, a salary of $625. is paid to unmarried women. In addition to this, houses are provided, or rooms in Mission houses or schools, or else rent is paid. Medical expenses also are met in addition.

I cannot imagine any work that would be more attractive or useful for you to undertake than such work as this in Japan.

I shall be glad to answer any questions that you may wish to ask to-morrow.

Very cordially yours,

R. B. Fisher

February 6th, 1903.

Miss Elizabeth T. Smith,
45 East Penn Street,
Germantown, Penna.

My Dear Miss Smith:-

Your kind note of January 31st was delayed in reaching me, and I got it only last evening. Mrs. Shearman and Margaret are with us and will be with us to-night, and they were glad to know of your kind invitation to me. I am sorry that I shall not be able to have the pleasure of coming, however. I have promised to stay after the meeting, to take tea with Miss Huston, and then must go on to Pottstown, where I have to speak on Sunday.

Thanking you heartily for your kind letter, and with warm regards from Mrs. Shearman and Margaret and Mrs. Speer, I am,

Very cordially yours,

February 6th, 1903.

The Gorham Manufacturing Co.,
Broadway & Nineteenth Street,
New York City.

Dear Sirs:-

Referring to your note of yesterday, I would say that the plate in memory of Mrs. Margaret Whittaker McMurtrie, should be mounted on the marble slab, and the whole boxed for shipment to Mexico City. I should like, however, to see the tablet when completed before shipment.

Very truly yours,

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Dr. F. Norman Taylor,
China Inland Mission,
Lexington Green,
London, West, England.

My dear Dr. Taylor.

I am sending you herewith the renewal book, which was in the bag, so unfortunately left behind. The bag is reposing safely in Inglewood, subject to any order from you. The enclosed package I shall send to or leave with Mr. Frost.

We think of you and Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Coleman constantly and pray that God may keep you all in all your journeyings.

With much love from Mrs. Speer and the children and myself,

Your sincere friend,

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February 7th, 1903.

Mr. John M. Gardner,
[illegible] Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Mr. Gardner:-

I have no objection whatever to the translation of [illegible] Hermann, if only it is done properly. And if [illegible] the Board wish to authorize Mr. Laube to do it, I am cordially willing. I believe in putting things out over the world to do all the good possible.

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer.

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February 4th, 1908.

Mrs. H. T. Pitkin,
328 Grant Street,
Troy, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Pitkin:

Your good letter of January 28th with its enclosures is received. These are just the things needed. I have been going over all the material that has now accumulated and am very much encouraged. I have just picked out bits of it here and there for a little sketch of Horace for "Forward", a paper published in Philadelphia and which has an immense circulation in Congregational and Presbyterian Sunday-schools. Last night I read over all the papers covering Horace's life up to the time he left the Seminary There are a number of gaps still to be filled in, but I begin to feel now that we shall really get enough. Mr. McConaughy is going over to Philadelphia soon and he will look up old friends there, so that I think it will be possible to fill up the boyhood days, and I am writing to one or two old Exeter men with reference to the school days there.

Mr. Hicks has sent me copies of all the letters to the American Board and of the application papers and testimonials. I have the Auburn speech also in full, and shall hope to get some report of the Brooklyn speech. Numbers 2, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 13 in the list of contained in my letter of November 11th are still lacking. I shall write to Mr. Bronson sending him a copy of this letter and asking him whether he can help with any of these.

In his memorial sermon, Mr. Wilkie says that an Uncle of [illegible] Mr. [illegible] was a mis[illegible] in the [illegible]. Do you know anything about this Uncle? Is he living now?

In making out a chronological outline of Horace's life, could you make it as full as possible: including his Summer vacations. [illegible] away from [illegible] fishing expeditions and other [illegible] with whom he took any of these?

I suspect from the postscript in your last letter that you are [illegible] in [illegible] truth, but I send this letter to your home.

With kind regards, and praying that God will guide us to everything that ought to be known, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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February 13th, 1903.

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My dear Charlie:

I enclose herewith the Young People's Meeting Notes from March 20th to May 17th inclusive, with the exception of April 26th, which I shall hope to send shortly.

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February 12th, 19[illegible]

Mr. John P. Ammidon,
31 South Frederick Street,
Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Dear Mr. Ammidon:-

Mr. Stone writes of Mrs. Ammidon's indisposition, and of the plan by which, accordingly, I am to stop at the Parsonage. I am very sorry to know that Mrs. Ammidon has not been feeling quite well, and hope that she may be quite herself again.

I shall think over the matter of a good man for the Boundary Avenue Church, and either have someone to suggest to you on Sunday, or write you [illegible].

With warm regards.

Very sincerely yours,

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Feb. 18th, 1903.

Mr. F. L. Janeway,

Princeton, N. J.

My dear Janeway:-

Your problem is perplexing beyond a doubt. I have thought about it carefully, and with a prayer that you may be led unerringly in your decision. My judgment would be in favor of the ministry. It is true that the considerations that raise the question of your duty to enter business are strong and exceptional, but as a matter of fact this will be the case with almost every good man. He will not stand with the ministry on one side and nothing on the other, or with the way into the ministry perfectly obvious and easy to him. The better man he is and the more likely his great influence in the ministry or in vigorous Christian service, the stronger in all probability will be the considerations that will stand out as distinct and exceptional in his case, and constraining him to go into business or some profession. Good men in the ministry like Dr. George Alexander and Dr. Richards and Dr. David H. Greer are men who would have been great men in business or any other work and would have accomplished great good as business or professional men, but not as great I believe as they have accomplished and are accomplishing in the ministry. What this world needs now is more men who will stand emphatically and entirely for the supremacy of the spiritual interests. I do not question that a man could do this in business, but I doubt whether he can do it with the same power or influence that he can in the ministry. I know many good Christian business men as good

Christian business men as you and I probably have in our ideals, but I do not see them accomplishing as much for the lifting up of life unto God and the refreshment of life with the Spirit of Christ as has been done by the good preachers like Babcock and old Dr. Hall, and many men who are living with us now.

I cannot decide your problem for you of course. It is your life and it must be your decision, but as I look back over my own life, I am glad I did not go back to my father's law office and take up his practice, which there was no one to take up but myself. I am thankful and never shall cease to be thankful that I went into Christian work with all that there was of me. You remember perhaps Goethe's saying, "Wherever you are, be all there." That rule is necessary nowadays in business. The man who is going to be a success in it must either be all in it or so much in it that he cannot have any large body of his life left to put elsewhere. The best place in the worldto be I think, is in work that is directly and wholly religious, and being in that I think the best thing to be is all in it.

This is not to say, of course, that there is not a vast place and need for Christian men in business and professions. It is only to say what seems to me is the stronger call when a man stands at the cross-roads where you stand, and is making choice of the investment of his influence for time and for ever.

I only wish I could be of more help to you, and shall be glad to do for you anything that I can.

You will have received before this my note stating that I would come down for March 5th.

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer

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February 20th,1903.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1631 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia,Penna.

My dear Charlie:

I enclose some more Notes on the Young People's Meeting,covering the Notes up to July 5th,with the exception of three or four of the missionary meetings, for which I shall hope to send you copy shortly.

Very affectionately yours,

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February 25th, 1927.

The Rev. [illegible], D. D.,
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[illegible],

My Dear Mr. [illegible]:

I enclose herewith another article in the series on Young Men. Miss [illegible] will send you a photograph of her brother, Fellow Lowrie, to accompany this article.

Very affectionately yours,

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February 22nd, 1916.

Mr. Will R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Will,-

Your kind letter with reference to the Commencement address at Mt. Hermon this year, is just received. I could not come for April 26th, as our Board meets that day, and I am in Wilkesbarre the preceding day. As for April 24th, I have an appointment that afternoon at three o'clock, at Yale at the Divinity School, and could not get down from Mt. Hermon in time to keep it, so that it will not be possible for me to come, as I should be happy to do if I could.

Very affectionately yours,

February 22nd, 1916.

Mr. R. W. Gaillard,

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Gaillard:-

I received your very kind letter of February 14th, but had quite a free time during the Week of Prayer, I did not have a Week end, and I should not have been so busy as I expected, or I should have written before.

Yes, I have had my much experience as that for a time, the most wonderful to me for your kind invitation.

Very cordially yours,

March 3,1903.

Mr. S. Edgar Briggs,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Briggs:

The copies of "The Heart of John Wesley's Journal" and "Two Heroes of Gettey", which you kindly sent up have been received. I am very much obliged for them and shall write a review of each for the Record.

Very cordially yours,

March 3,1903.

Miss Elizabeth L. Ely,
Riverside Drive & 88th St.,
New York City.

My dear Miss Ely:

I have heard from Buffalo regarding the appointments for next week, which I feared might prevent my coming to speak to the girls about Northfield then, and I find I can come, if you wish, for the evening of Wednesday, the 11th. You will let me know the hour, will you not? if you wish me to come that evening.

Very cordially yours,

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March 3,1903.

Mr. Henry R. Elliott,
111 - 5th Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Elliott:

I enclose herewith the Stock Certificate transferred to the Church Economist Publishing Company.

Very cordially yours,

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March 3,1903.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield,Mass.

My dear Will:

Your notification of the meeting of the trustees of the Mt. Hermon School on Wednesday, March 11th is received. I think it will be quite practicable for me to be at that meeting.

I have received Miss Varley's note, stating that you are sending to-day two books for me to review,and Revell has sent up John Wesley's Journal and Miss Miner's book on "Two Heroes of Cathay". Perhaps these two are the two referred to by Miss Varley,but whether there are two or four, I shall be glad to review them.

There are several other good books,which I shall be glad to review,if the publishers will send them to you. "Seth's, "Man's Place in the Cosmos",new edition. Scribner; Everett's "Psychological Elements of Religious Faith", Macmillan and Collingwood's "Life of Ruskin", Houghton, Mifflin & Co.and Wiggin and Smith; "Book of Gold and Numbers", McClure; Webb's "Problems of Modern Industry", Longmans.

Don't let me overdo the matter. I have a hunger for books,and I can easily carry this too far.

It was good to see you last week. Drop the old joke and come back again whenever you can.

Very affectionately yours,

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March 6th,1903.

The Rev. J. R Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia,Penna.

My dear Dr. Miller:

Mrs. Wood,who has charge of the department of Special Objects, will send you full information in regard to your inquiry regarding the cost of supporting a missionary.

Thank you very much for the letter and article regarding young Mr. Huss. I have read them with interest. It is a little difficult to disentangle the truth from the rhetoric,in the printed article,but if a fraction of what is said there is accurate,the young man is worth looking up,and I shall make some further inquiries regarding him. To tell the truth,however, I am a little suspicious of young men who interview the Pope and who speak fluently modern Greek and Hebrew.

I have a number of longer editorials,written for Forward, which I shall send you as soon as I can get them type-written.

Bill Moody was staying with me the other night,and he carries still in his heart the warmth of the comfort which came from your note to him, on the death of his little children several years ago. It is a wonderful thing to me that you are able to minister thus tenderly with such comfort to all who need.

Very affectionately yours.

Robert E. Speer

March 6th,1903.

Miss Harriet Taylor,
421 United Charities Building,
4th Ave. & 22nd St.,New York City.

My dear Miss Taylor:

Any arrangement that you may think best for Sunday in Wilkes-Barre will be altogether satisfactory to me.I shall be glad to speak either morning or evening, or both morning and evening, as you desire.

Very cordially yours,

March 6th,1903.

Professor W. W. White,
1036 - Sixth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Professor White:

Thursday,May 21st would suit me all right for an address to the students. I think I shall speak to them on Joy and Dull.

Very cordially yours,

March 6th,1903.

Miss Maude Daeniker,
1 West 89th Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss Daeniker:

Your very kind note of March 5th has been received. It was a real pleasure to have an opportunity of speaking to the young women at the Convention.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. J. G. Estill,
Murray Hill Hôtel,
New York City.

March 6th,1903.

My dear Mr. Estill:

Thank you very much for your note of yesterday. I am looking forward to coming up to the School to-morrow and shall enjoy going up with you on the afternoon train.

Very cordially yours,

March 6th, 1903.

The Rev. J. A. Terrune,

Millerton, N. Y.

My dear Jack:

I am going up to Lakeville to-morrow afternoon. Mrs. Speer will not be with me. As I understand, you will send over to the School for me after the Vesper Service Sunday afternoon, or after supper, in time for the evening meeting of your Church.

Very cordially yours,

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Dr. C. M. Geer,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
H a r t f o r d , Conn .

My dear Dr. Geer:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. The arrangements you propose are quite satisfactory to me. If there could be two lectures on the afternoon and evening of the 18th, and one on the following morning and likewise on the 21st and 22d, I could get back to New York a couple hours earlier, but I shall be quite content with the arrangement you propose, if that is preferable to you.

As explained to Professor Jacobus, when he broached the matter to me I could not now take time to work up satisfactorily two lines of subjects which he had in mind. They are the subjects which are most familiar in missionary administration, but which for that reason one would all the more be slow to speak about, without careful preparation. The lectures which I told him I could give, I had already prepared on "The Missionary Aspects of Great Movements". It is of no consequence to me whether you invite the public in, or confine the lectures to the students. The plan you suggest is altogether satisfactory.

Very cordially yours,

Rob. E. Speer

March 9th,1903.

Mr. C. G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia.Penna.

My dear Charlie:

Your good letter of March 6th,enclosing the letter about Pitt in was received on Saturday. I am very much obliged to you for all the trouble you have taken.

Thank you for your kind thoughtfulness in returning those memoranda on the back of the Special Object pamphlet.

I question myself the insertion of all those Bible references in the editorials I wrote. I quite understand the principle on which you act.

I was sorry to learn from Phil that you were still under the weather,and I hope you will be quite yourself again.

Can't you and Mrs. Trumbull arrange to come up next Summer to the Camp where we go in northern New Hampshire. You cannot do better I know. I doubt whether anywhere in the world more health-giving outdoor life can be found than there. We are just a little company of about sixty people,with our own cabins, exceedingly comfortable, and a great common dining room. There is no housekeeping and there is trout fishing that will give you pleasant dreams for all the rest of your life. It costs $10 a week. I wish you would think of coming up there. I believe it would do you a world ofgood. You know the White Mountain region,and this is just that-plus.

Very affectionately yours,

February 28th, 1903.

Mr. Arthur D. Williams, Jr.,

[illegible] Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Williams:-

I have one good solid rule, and that is, never to give away photographs. But a rule is a poor rule that does not have some exceptions; so I have pleasure in sending you one herewith. It was taken about seven years ago, and Mr. Hand accuses me of dishonesty in keeping these juvenile photographs alive; but that is because age is telling on him, and isn't on me! I am as young now as I ever was.

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Your sincere friend,

March 9th,1903.

Miss Emma C. M. Whitfield,
1324 Eutaw Place,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Miss Whitfield:

Your letter of March 6th is just received. I think that the Gospel includes both your view and that of your friend, and something more beside, and my own view of it surely is not confined to the representation given by your friend. I do believe that that is part of the Gospel, but I am sorry that anyone has gained the impression that I thought that was the whole of it. The Gospel consists of a great deal more, I suspect, than any of us now see, but surely all of us ought to see, both from the teaching of the New Testament and the testimony of our own hearts that we need both what the earthly life of Christ provides us, and also what His death accomplished for us. I most assuredly believe that Jesus was the revelation of the Father and that His life indicates to us the will of God for our life. But no more imitation of Jesus a musts the Gospel. I do believe also that Jesus died a propitiation for our sins and that that death has a bearing upon our sins, distinct from that of the preceding life. At the same time, I think many of us have failed to interpret the significance of the death of Christ and the shedding of his blood truthfully. I would suggest your reading Dr. Trumbull's book on the "Blood Covenant" on this point.

But there is something more in the Gospel, as I have said, than the incarnation and the crucifixion. The fact that Christ was here in the flesh and the fact that he went away by the way of the Cross are two of the great facts of the Gospel. But another one

never to be omitted is the fact that He rose again from the dead, and that He lives still at God's right hand and in His disciples. I think that was what Paul had in mind, when he spoke to the Romans of the fact that if we had been justified by the death of Christ, we are to be saved by His life. No emphasis, right enough in itself, upon the formal life and death of Jesus should ever be allowed to obscure this other - the ever vital and abiding truth of the Gospel, namely, a present life in Christ, a present living Christ in us. This truth, of course, depends upon the others, but all these together and many other truths associated with them make up the Gospel.

Very cordially yours,

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March 9th,1903.

Miss Clara McMurtrie,
Hotel Fitchfield,
Jamaica, W. I.

My dear Aunt Clara:

Emma showed me a little while ago one of your letters to the family,and I rejoice to hear of the jubilant time you are having,only it made us poor mortals up here freezing one day and thawing the next envious of the heaven that you and Uncle Stewart have found.

A little while after you started Mrs. Sharman and Margaret and one of Mr. Sharman's brothers went off on one of the thirty days' cruises,from which they just got back on Saturday. They were to spend Sunday in Englewood,but I was away and have not seen them.

We are all very well and happy at home,although the children have had bad colds since you went away. We shall all be very glad to see you back again.

They write from Mexico that they are building the Chapel , and they hope to have it ready in July. The Gorham Company is making the tablet,and I hope it may not need to be sent before you get here and can see it.

You will be sorry to know that Mr. Brown has had to leave Mexico for a time He has been working too hard this last year and the strain on his nerves and heart was too great. He hopes to be able to go back in a few months,however He is at present in Jacksonville, Florida,with his brother I hope to go out to Huntingdon in a fortnight to the Presbyterial meeting,but I shall be there only

for the day and night. I am sorry I shall miss you and Uncle Stewart.

With much love to you both

Very affectionately yours.

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March 13th, 1907.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Charlie:

I was delighted to receive on Saturday your note of March 12th, with its encouragement to hope that possibly you and Mrs. Trumbull might come up to our Summer Camp next Summer. Camp Diamond is the name of the place. It is located on Diamond Pond, a little lake in the woods, north of the White Mountains. The property is owned by Mr. H. G. Coleman of Norristown, an earnest Christian man, who is in business in Philadelphia. There is a camp of about twenty cabins, with one, two and three rooms, very attractively and comfortably built and well-furnished. There is one large common dining room, and a big living room for wet days, and I can show you some trout fishing that will live in your dreams all the rest of your life. There are only about thirty people in the Camp and they are always a congenial company. Since we have been going there, the large majority of them have been our personal acquaintances and friends. The whole atmosphere is thoroughly Christian and cordial. There is nothing burdensome. You don't have to dress for dinner, or any of that sort of thing. There is no housekeeping and there is absolutely nothing to do, except walk and drive and fish and use the resources that you have within you. I don't think that there could be a more healthful place or more healthful outdoor life anywhere. We are delighted with it, and talk about it all Winter. It is perfect joy to the children, and Mrs. Epler and I, who were naturally hesitant

about going in the first place, are satisfied that we couldn't find anything better for our tastes and needs.

The Camp is about twelve miles from Colebrook, which is on the Maine Central Road. It is not at all difficult to get to. I go up by the White Mountain Expres to Wing Road and then go from there through Lancaster to Colebrook. One can leave New York at 9:00 o'clock in the morning and get to Colebrook at 10:00 o'clock at night. There are two changes of cars, but they come in the evening when almost all the journey is done. It is a little simpler perhaps to go by way of Boston. You can get a train about 9:00 o'clock in the morning [illegible] Colebrook without [illegible] arriving about half past two.

The rates at the Camp are $10. a week. This covers everything, except laundry and livery, which, of course, you can make as much or as little as you please.

Mr. Coleman is away from the country, but all the arrangements of the Camp are in the hands of Mr. Herbert Little, Colebrook, N. H. I shall be glad to make arrangements with him for you, if you wish.

Mr. Stone of Baltimore is talking of coming up with his family next Summer.

Both the last two years there has been a doctor in the Camp Dr. Howard Taylor of the China Inland Mission and last year a second doctor, Dr. Holmes of Persia, and we fully expect that there will be a doctor there this year. We should scarcely feel comfortable in going with the children, if there were not.

I do hope that you and Mrs. Trumbull can come. If your tastes are what ours are for a Summer resting place, I don't be-

lieve you can do better.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert Speer

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Mr. C. F. Miller,
New York Juvenile Asylum,
176th St. & Amsterdam Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Miller:

Your kind note of March 17th is received. I think it might be good if you could send copies of the Asylum Report, a good part of which I read last evening with great interest, to Mr. E. M. Bulkley, Englewood, N. J., Mr. Philip Dulles, Jr., Englewood, N. J., Mr. Samuel Woolverton, Fulton National Bank, Wall Street, Mr. Charles Huston, Coatesville, Pa.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Speer

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March 16th , 1903.

Mrs. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Moody:

Thank you very much for your kind letter. I will try to be good, but really I am not as bad as you thought. It was 8 o'clock in the morning and not mid-night when I wrote that letter. I thought at first you were reflecting on my hand-writing and that you meant to intimate that my letter looked as though I had written it at mid-night in the dark. I can see now I misled you, but that mid night train from Philadelphia has a sleeping car on it, in which you may sleep until 7 o'clock in the morning, that is, you may if you can, and usually I can.

Yesterday I was speaking in Lawrenceville. On Saturday evening I went to bed at 9 o'clock, and I got up at half past 7. Last night I went to bed at half past 9 and got up at half past 6 I dont think there is much risk of collapse as long as one sleeps nine or ten hours a night occasionally and about eight hours regularly.

Hoping to see you this week, as I believe you are to be in town, but writing this little note to assure you that I haven't any idea of quitting life just yet, I am,

Very cordially yours,

R. A. Torrey

March 16th, 1903.

Mr. J. C. Estill,
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Mr. Estill:

Your kind note of the 10th, with its enclosure, has been received. I greatly enjoyed, as always, my visit to Hotchkiss and shall look forward with pleasure to the next time.

With warm regards to all,

Very cordially yours,

March 16th, 1903.

Mr. L. A. Maynard,
Pittsfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Maynard:

Your kind note of February 28th, with its enclosed check, was received last week. I am very much obliged to you for your kindness.

I have seen the article "The Layman's Duty to Propagate His Religion" in many papers and have received many letters regarding it.

Very sincerely yours,

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March 16th, 1903.

Mr. H. C. Dillingham,
140 Nassau Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Dillingham:

Your kind note of March 12th was received last week. Some time this Spring I will go up on the property of which you speak, but I have no intention of buying there or elsewhere at this time.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Clifford

March 17th, 1905.

Miss Mary T. [illegible]

Huntingdon, Tenn.

My Dear Mary:-

Please forgive my writing this way, but I want to make sure of a note to you and Meg regarding the time of my getting out to Huntingdon. As I have promised Miss Gallie to speak on Wednesday afternoon, as well as evening, I shall go out on the Tuesday night train, reaching Huntingdon about six in the morning. I shall have it very late Wednesday night, so as to [illegible] the morning.

Haven't I somewhere around the house, a big package of papers and essays which I wrote in College? I was looking for them at home the other evening, but didn't find them, and my impression is that I left them in the closet beneath the book-shelves in the corner of the room which I used to have, above the sitting-room. I presume they are not there now; but if you and Meg know where they are, I wish you would have them picked out, so that I could bring them back with me. These were very valuable intellectual productions, and I have had use for some of them.

With much love to all, especially to Charles Jr.,

[illegible]

March 18th, 1905.

Mr. S. L. Coy,

Lakeville, Conn.

My Dear Mr. Coy:-

Your telegram is just received, and I am writing to Pottstown, where I have promised to go for May 31st, with reference to the possibility of a change. I suspect that June 7th is their Baccalaureate Sunday, in which case of course I should not want to ask them to over-turn any of their arrangements. I shall let you know as soon as I hear.

Very cordially yours,

March 18th, 1905.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Penna.

My Dear Professor:-

Is June 7th your Baccalaureate Sunday, or is it just an ordinary Sunday? and if so, and you have no provision made for it, could you just as conveniently shift me to that day from May 31st? If not, please do not think of upsetting any arrangements. It is not a matter of great enough importance for that.

Very affectionately yours,

March 19th, 1903.

Miss Mary Breese Fuller,
150 Elm Street,
Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Fuller:-

Your good note of the 17th is just received. I expect to speak at the Young Women's Christian Association, on Fifteenth Street, at half past twelve, on April eighth and ninth. They have services that week each day at noon, and I have promised to take these two of them.

It will be a pleasure to see you if you are here in the city at that time.

I have never looked up the biographical material of William Wheatcroft. You had better come out to Englewood where you are down here, and we can talk about that and many other things.

Your sincere friend,

Robert F. Weir

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March 21,1903.

Rev. J. R. Miller, D.D.

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Miller:

I enclose herewith the next article for the Young Men's Series. It is too long, but I have bracketed in blue the passages which can be omitted. One or all so as to bring the article within the desired limits. I have no photograph of Camp, but Dr. Trumbull has one and there is a good picture of Camp used as a frontispiece in the "Knightly Soldier", published by John D. Wattles Co., originally.

Very affectionately yours,

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March 21,1903.

Rev. S. J. McPherson, D.D.

Lawrenceville, N.J.

My dear Dr. McPherson;

Your very kind note with its enclosure is just received. I had a delightful Sunday at Lawrenceville and it was a real pleasure to be in your home, even for that little while Sunday evening. I hope that you are feeling much better and that your son is steadily gaining strength.

I shall let you know later about the dates for next year. Just as soon as possible, I shall take up next year's Schedule, although I suspect I shall not be able to do it very definitely for sometime to come. I shall be very glad to arrange to come down to the School for one Sunday each term.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E.

March 21,1905.

Mr. Sherman L. Coy,

Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Sherman:

I have just heard from Professor Meigs regarding June 7th. He says that that is their Baccalaureate Sunday and they have been counting on having me there that day. I am sorry that this will make it impossible for me to spend the 7th at Hotchkiss.

Very cordially yours,

March 21st, 1905.

Professor Frank K. Sanders,
Drawer 4, Yale Station,
New Haven, Conn.

My Dear Dr. Sanders:-

I am sorry to have been slow in answering your kind note of March 11th. I am looking forward with pleasure to the Lectures on the afternoons of April 23rd and 24th. I am afraid I shall not be able to be in New Haven for the Chapel service at noon on Friday. I think it will be necessary for me to come back to New York on the afternoon of the 23rd, after the Lecture, going back to Nre Haven on Friday afternoon, in time for the Lecture that day.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

March 21, 1905.

Mr. O. J. Willis,

Yale University,

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Mr. Willis:

I beg leave to thank you heartily for your kindness in sending me a Complimentary Ticket for the Baseball season in New Haven. I am afraid I shall not be able to take advantage of it, but I am very much obliged to you for your kindness.

Yours very sincerely,

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March 23,1903.

Mr. Amos R. Wells,

Tremont Temple,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Wells:

I have gone over your little book "Help for the Tempted". Perhaps the following paragraph would suit your purpose.

> " 'Help for the Tempted' is a book for those to whom life is a serious thing and not a trifle and who, fighting their battle against evil and for good, would fight it well and victoriously. There is food here for many stagnant minds and impulse for torpid wills".

Thanking you again for your kindness in sending me the little book and trusting that it may do great good, I am

Very sincerely yours.

March 23,1903.

Mr. W.J.George,

Lawrenceville, N.J.

My dear George:

I think I have found one boy that it would be worth your while looking up. His name is Carl Holmquist and his address is 176 West 87th Street. I have met him through his sister, who is a friend of ours and one of the finest girls I know. She practically made her own way through Vassar, where she was the most popular girl in her class and the most influential in the College. She is now teaching in Dr. Suk's School here and doing admirable work. I happen to know something of the family conditions and I imagine she is helping to pay off some indebtedness incurred by others. This younger brother is now going to school here in the city, to the Clinton High School, I believe. He came in to see me the other day and he seems like a nice, bright boy. He will probably be in the Camp where we go in the Summer and I shall be able to see some more of him there and size him up better. If you are going to be up here any time, I could arrange to have him come to see you here, or you could arrange to meet him, whichever would be most convenient for you. It is no easy matter to size up a boy's character in a short talk, but if he has got his sister's qualities in him, he has the making of a very fine man.

It was very good to see you Sunday week.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

March 23d,1903.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia,Penna.

My dear Charlie:

I think you can make arrangements about Camp Diamond at almost any time. We have never had the Camp over-crowded, so that there has always been room when I was there for two or three more. I hope nothing may prevent your coming there.

Very affectionately yours,

March 21, 1907.

Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D.D.

Albion Manor, N.Y.

My dear Uncle Charlie:

Your note of March 19th, received the other day while I was away and copies of three different weeklies were at once sent you.

I hope that you may have a good Sunday and that a spirit of great unselfishness will be present.

With a great deal of love to Aunt Clara,

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer.

Miss Dora Miller,

Cooking, Iowa.

Dear Miss Miller:

I appreciate very much your kind letter of March 23rd, and your desire to use your Missionary Club, as you propose, but would very much rather you would give it the name of a Missionary of our own Church, like Dr. Marcus or Dr. Good, or Mr. Wright or D. Taylor. Some last two died as martyrs at Foochowfu. You will find Marcus story in Dr. Goodrich's "The Tragedy of Foochowfu", published by Revell. Revell has also published the life of Dr. Marcus by his wife, and the life of Dr. Good by Mark Harris. Name your Club after some one of these Mission series, ~~who have made~~ you are doing to study their lives, would bring them, I think, into a closer connection with the missionary work.

Appreciating the honor that you propose to confer on us and with best wishes for God's blessing on your Club, I am

Very heartily yours,

Mr. E. S. Bent,

The Interior,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Bent:

Your kind letter of March 27th is received, with its enclosed check. I appreciate your cordial words and shall be very glad to do anything I can to be of service to you. Of course, I have to do all my writing in odds and ends of time, but there are plenty of these that can be utilized, if only we keep on the watch for them.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible] "Why a Young Man [illegible]

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I [illegible] very much to prepare the sermons on the list of [illegible] which you wrote. I have not yet got hold of the [illegible] and [illegible] and should be glad if any help or [illegible] "There are four different lines that [illegible] one on the words or [illegible] [illegible] on the words or sign of [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] and the fourth [illegible] [illegible] I understand your suggestion in [illegible] "The Man Christ Jesus" [illegible] to [illegible] the meetings suggested in the Gospels [illegible]

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Yours sincerely yours,

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Major E. Dunham,

[illegible] Central Ave.,

Newark, N.J.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith the communication sent to me at Englewood. I am glad to make each year my contribution to the Salvation Army, through the Auxiliary League, of which I am a member.

Very cordially yours,

My dear [illegible]

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to speak [illegible] to her [illegible]

you would [illegible] to her, [illegible]

and [illegible], with God's blessing, [illegible]

[illegible]

it would be well for [illegible]

likely, I would [illegible] you, [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] her, as this. [illegible]

to go on [illegible]

what you are [illegible].

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[illegible] letter from Mr. [illegible]

[illegible] the Mission, [illegible]

[illegible] for you. The [illegible]

[illegible] to-morrow and [illegible]

[illegible] you a house [illegible] equal room.

[illegible] all that the Lunar [illegible]

[illegible] sold [illegible] world

[illegible] at last, however, [illegible]

[illegible] experience in [illegible]

[illegible] report [illegible]

[illegible] full [illegible]

[illegible] will [illegible]

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[illegible] for the [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

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Respectfully,

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Mr. T. D. Johnson,

Balto., Md.

Dear Sir.

In reply to your letter of March 28th, I would suggest the Rev. W. A. Arnold of Persia, who is now in this country and who can be addressed at 534 Fifth Street, Marietta, Ohio, the Rev. J. S. Gale of Korea who can be address at Seoul, Korea and the Rev. W. G. Wallace of Siam, who can be addressed at Fairfield, Iowa.

Very truly yours,

Robert E. Speer

April 3rd, 1903.

T. H. P. Sailer, Ph. D.,
4046 Spruce Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Thomas:-

Not having heard anything from you to the contrary, I am assuming that you will let me sleep on your door mat, and give me a snack on Sunday morning. If not, please send me a telegram tomorrow morning.

Very affectionately yours,

April 3rd, 1903.

Alfred H. Seal, Ph. D.,
Girard College,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Seal:-

I think I shall be stopping at Dr. Sailer's again, 4046 Spruce Street, Philadelphia. The Girard College service, I believe, is at three o'clock, but I shall be ready at any time that you may send for me.

Very sincerely yours,

March 31,1907.

Miss Alice Varley,

East Northfield, Mass.

Dear Miss Varley:

Your very kind note has been received. I have MacDonald's "Development of Muslim Theology but not Laughlin's "[illegible]", and "The Posy Ring" has come from McClure. I shall send you a number of [illegible] shortly.

Thank you very much for your note about Terry's, Keller's and Skidmore's books.

I do not remember whether I told you of the receipt of Lawrence's "Phillip Brooks" from Houghton, Mifflin & Co., or [illegible] translation of Hilty's "Happiness", or Collingwood's "Ruskin", or Everett's [illegible] ogical Elements,&c.".

Please do not take any more trouble about the Record for Nov. 1898. I find that I shall not need that number, as I thought at the time I would. There is a copy of the article I wanted pasted in a scrapbook and if ever I need it, I can have it copied out.

I know of several collections of Patriotic Addresses, such as are asked for in the enclosed note. I would suggest the following:

Prof. A. Johnston's "American Orations", 4 vols.

Treat's "Thoughts for the Occasion, Patriotic and [illegible]"

Deem's "Holy Days and Holidays" .

Mrs. Speer says she will be glad to review Mrs. Humphrey Ward's "[illegible] Daughter". Mrs. Speer is writing some of the reviews, which I [illegible] you. I shall put her initials to those and mine to those I write. [illegible] the reviews I sent you on Golden Numbers.

I shall be glad to review "The Life of Bishop Westcott, which

April 6th,1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Dr. Miller:

Your good letter of the 3d was received on Saturday. I shall try to write a little short introduction for Mrs. Curtis's book. It will not fill more than two pages, so that would be sufficient allowance to make in making up folios.

I am sorry to have slipped up on the length of those editorials. I had thought I was getting them long enough and was trying not to run over. If you could send back the three long ones, to which you refer, I should be glad to add enough to each to bring it up to the desired length.

Very affectionately yours,

April 7, 1907.

Miss Alice Varley,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Varley:

I have received "Personal Salvation" and another book on religious training of children, by the same publisher, Pilgrim.

These do not look very promising. I think it will be enough in the matter of half a dozen books which I have now, just to mention them, as I do not think they deserve further reviews.

I enclose herewith these reviews.

Very sincerely yours,

April 8th, 1903.

Mr. Thomas S. Evans,

Howard Houston Hall,

University of Penna.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Evans:

I am very much obliged to you for your note of Saturday, with [illegible] I always do, at the [illegible], and am [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] examination, I have thought it over and must say that I do not [illegible] much additional light. [illegible] you could talk with Janvier about it and I shall try to talk it over with him and Furness when I next meet them.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

April 3,1908.

Mr. F. [illegible],

[illegible] Hung H. Bovard Jr.,

[illegible] Avenue,

[illegible].

Dear Mr. [illegible]

[illegible] I to give [illegible] with the royalty report and [illegible].

I think I [illegible] you the other day, when I was giving you the MS. on "A Young Man's [illegible]", about Dangers of Ministry [illegible] I am preparing. I think it will not be as long as the dangers of Math [illegible]. I have almost all the material now on hand for it.

If you care to look at it, I suspect the Students' Volunteer Movement, the [illegible] and the Christian Association of Yale, and [illegible] Class Secretary, would procure enough copies to [illegible] you wished of any society.

Very cordially yours,

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April 29, [illegible]

Rev. [illegible] Miller, D.D.

Witherspoon Building,

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[illegible] a hour's leisurely [illegible] over the [illegible] proposed. I have been wondering how it would do to take as a basis for the Studies, the development of our Lord's work and teaching and the opposition to him, culminating in His death, as traced by some one of the Gospels, working into this background, the miracles and parables and the general contents of the Synoptic Gospels. This, I think, would be a change from the method of treatment; at least, I have never seen it anywhere. As a rule, these Synoptic Gospels are taken as a basis and the predominant element in the harmonization is chronological. According to the idea that has occurred to me, these prominences would be vital - the development of our Lord's mission of light and the antagonism of darkness to it.

I would have [illegible] an analysis of the Gospel of John, which I [illegible] following Bennett's Commentary, which could be used as a basis [illegible]. It would have to be changed quite a little in order to fill up the outlines [illegible] years with what the Synoptic Gospels supply.

Do you think this scheme would be too advanced and [illegible] practicality of [illegible]? The idea of it is very attractive to me, as it would give [illegible] studies and purpose, a connective significance [illegible] original principle of the ordinary life of Christ.

Of course, such a line would seem a little [illegible] to some. [illegible] to the conviction that the [illegible] Christ, himself, and that the discourses in it are [illegible]

[illegible] Sept. 9.

[illegible] the mind and soul of Jesus, but [illegible] of all human testimony, and [illegible]. I know how you would express of this view, [illegible] Gospel the [illegible]. In this way, [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] and the growth and victory of faith.

Will you please let us have fully your [illegible] this idea? Would it seem to you to get at what you have in mind?

Very affectionately yours.

April 11, [illegible]

Rev. G. M. Brewton,

Shelbyville, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Brewton:

I have finished the first chapter of [illegible] and shall go on [illegible] as usual, [illegible] on this and future. If you [illegible] more material on that part of it, will you please send it to me. I have been looking for some more copies of the Idle "[illegible]", containing articles of Elkin's.

A great deal that we could have to have put in would biography is lacking and I do not understand the reason for the difficulty in getting people to give it. There is, however, enough I think for a good memoir and I am going forward with it now without further delay.

Very cordially yours,

April 10, 1903.

Mrs. Horace Tracy Pitkin,

Troy, O.

My dear Mrs. Pitkin:

I have written the first chapter of the "Book of" and am going forward now without waiting for any more material with the other chapters. I have spoken to Mr. [illegible] of the Lewis Co. with reference to its publication, but have as yet made no arrangements with him. Have you any preference on this point? Of course, we must [illegible] consult with them. I shall want to go over it with you and have lots of the chapters read by others also, for corrections and suggestions. There is a great deal lacking still that one would like to have, but perhaps we can make this an advantage, as it removes the temptation to add the [illegible] I think it will be more useful and more widely welcomed if it [illegible] to the valid criticism, I think, on the life of Jack Beaver. [illegible] and have one half or two-thirds the present size, it would also [illegible] mission.

If any more material comes in, you will let me have it, [illegible] you not? Although I shall not delay waiting for any more.

Very cordially yours,

P.S. In one of your letters, you refer to the Photinofu Company and Horace, something in which Horace was interested, [illegible] mechanical devices. Could you tell me in a few paragraphs, [illegible] cident was.

April 15th, 1903.

Mr. S. Edgar Briggs,

150 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mr. Briggs:-

I shall try to drop in to speak about the Pitkin Memoir, but it will not be ready in time for the Summer Conferences. I have written only the first chapter of it, and cannot tell when I shall be able to get it done, although I hope to have all the manuscript completed before the Conferences. I cannot possibly have it done, however, in time for it to be printed before Summer.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

April 14th, 1903.

Miss Fannie D. Hatch,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Miss Hatch:-

Your kind note in behalf of my Class of the Seminary, inviting me to preach the Baccalaureate Sermon on June 16th, is just received. I would accept with pleasure if it were possible, but the annual Conference which we have with all our new missionaries will be held here from June 10th to 17th, and that will keep me here every day, so that I cannot get away from New York at that time. I am very sorry, for I should have enjoyed coming, and should have been glad to in this way express my appreciation of the honor the Class has given me.

With best wishes for the Class and every member of it, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

April 14th, 1903.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Will:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I wish I could accept your invitation and that of the graduating class of the Seminary, but I have engagements already for that time. Our New Missionaries' Conference is in session from June 10th to 17th, and I cannot possibly leave the city during that time. Will you please thank the Class for its invitation, and tell them how gladly I would come if I could?

I should be glad to review the following books, if the publishers will send them: Danziger's "Jewish Forerunners of Christianity," Dutton; Lynch's "The War of the Civilizations," Longmans, Green & Co.; More Letters of Charles Darwin, Appleton; New Letters of Jane Welsh Carlyle, John Lane.

I should be glad to review that big book of Myer's, of which Paul spoke the other day.

Very affectionately yours,

The Rev. J. D. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

April 15th, 1903.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

I enclose herewith returning to you, the proof of the Introduction to Mrs. Curtis's book on Laos, and also the copy.

Very affectionately yours,

April 16, 1908.

Mr. E. Edward Briggs,
158 5th Ave.,
City.

My dear Mr. Briggs:

I do not think of any corrections that will have to be made in "A Young Man's Manhood", unless they are typographical errors. I do not think of any additions to the manuscript that I should wish to make. I am a bad offender in these matters and if I do not make mistakes, I don't break them: still, I will try to be very self-restraining this time.

Very sincerely yours,

April 27, [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] C. [illegible],

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My dear Charlie:

Your good letter of yesterday, enclosing my article, "The Sense of Things" is just received. I clearly see the [illegible] point of view. If I can find time to write one more editorial in the Series, I shall be glad to do so, but I am not more weather [illegible] to, as I am writing in your space than I can now be writing the "[illegible]" of Pitkin.

I am waiting now to see what comes out in the "[illegible] Quart." in consequence of the article on the Theological Seminary.

Very affectionately yours,

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April 1?, 1908.

Mr. Stuart N. Hutchison,

417 Hodge Hall,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Hutchison:

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to be at the Benham Meeting on May 4th, as I have other engagements that will prevent.

I am afraid that I have no wisdom to contribute to the solution of the problem before the Club. Perhaps you might get the Trustees to set aside one or two hundred thousand dollars from the new legacy towards the erection of a proper home for the Club; such action being a slight acknowledgement of the credit which the Club has reflected on the Seminary.

Very cordially yours,

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Your kind note of yesterday with the enclosed [illegible] card is just received. I am getting out a little book that [illegible] entitled "A County Man's Questions", containing a series of articles which I wrote for "Harper". In one of those articles on "[illegible]", I have embodied almost all of that article on "The Bay and Academy".

I have written the first chapter of the "[illegible]", but I do not know when I shall be able to finish it. I hope I may get most of it done next month, when fortunately, I will not have to be away as much speaking, as I have had to be the last fortnight. I embodied in the first chapter quite a few quotations from your father's pamphlet on "Litchfield County" with reference to what the county has done for [illegible], and [illegible] put in, also, an interesting [illegible] which he sent [illegible] New Hartford Church, from which Pitkin's family came, and the great Revival there.

Yesterday, I was coming from Wilkes-Barre, and on the train, a man whom I had met leaned over from the seat behind and held out the [illegible] "[illegible]" containing that article on the Academies. He was very emphatic in his approval and commendation of it. He was not a minister, however, but a business man connected with a large Company here, and active in Sunday School work.

Very affectionately yours,

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April 21, 1909.

Miss M. S. Creighton,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Miss Creighton:

Your kind note with reference to the closing exercises of the School has been received and I shall look forward with pleasure to making an address on the afternoon of June 2nd.

Were you expecting me any Sunday evening this Spring? I think I spoke of one or two Sundays in answer to your letter, on which it might be possible for me to come and speak to the girls, but I do not think I have any one Sunday definitely in mind, and shall assume that there was no definite arrangement about any Sunday evening, unless I hear from you to the contrary.

Very sincerely yours,

Frank E. Gaw
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April 24th, 1903.

Miss Ella Agnew,

Montclair, N. J.

Dear Miss Agnew:-

Thank you very much for your note. I wrote a long letter to Mr. McConaughy the other day, which I have not sent off because I want to enlarge it a bit. In it I suggested subjects for prayer for the next two months, as Mr. McConaughy proposed. What I suggested to him was as follows:

First, for me: (1) That God's blessing may attend the meeting of the General Assembly, and the effort to exalt the missionary duty into its right place of pre-eminence. (2) For strength and joy for all in the home circle.

Second, for general: (1) For God's guidance for all plans in the Annual Conference for New Missionaries, and the evident presence of His Spirit. (2) For help for preparation for the Summer Students' Conferences, and for the sense of freedom and faithfulness in speaking to the students.

I have been away a great deal this week, and unable to take up the question of special objects for investment. Next week I hope it may be possible to do so.

Very sincerely yours,

John R. Mott

April 24th, 1903.

D. Appleton & Co.,

435 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

Dear Sirs:-

I would acknowledge the receipt of "More Letters of Charles Darwin," sent to me at Englewood, for review in the Record of Christian Work. A marked copy of the review will be sent to you.

Very truly yours,

April 24th, 1903.

Miss E. S. Creighton,

Englewood, N. J.

Dear Miss Creighton:-

I shall be very glad to come to speak to the girls on the evening of May 3rd, as I expect to be home that Sunday.

Very sincerely yours,

April 27th, 1903.

Mr. E. S. McMurtrie,

Huntingdon, Penna.

My Dear Uncle Stewart:-

I am very much obliged for your kind note of April 24th, with its enclosed check covering the interest on the Da Fribe Loan. Can you tell me some time without any trouble, what the amount of this loan is? It was six thousand dollars I know, but I am not sure whether the $1060, which you sent me last year was all principal, or whether some of it was interest.

It is very good of you to take all this trouble, and I am very much obliged.

We had a nice little visit from Aunt Clara; the only difficulty was that it was too short. I hope we can see you some time soon.

We are all very well and happy. Yesterday I had at home- the first Sunday for many weeks, and we had a very joyous time.

It is good to have you and Aunt Clara back again at home, and I hope you may both keep well, and that Aunt Kid may be able to find a good servant.

With much love from us all.

Very affectionately yours,

R. S. Kellogg

April 27th, 1908.

Miss Mary L. Howard,
67 Collins Street,
Hartford, Conn.

My Dear Miss Howard:-

Your very kind note of Saturday is just received. It was a real pleasure to be able to speak for your Committee, and I was filled with wonder at the extraordinary congregation your work got together.

Thank you very much for your thoughts about the Northfield influences, too. I remember that picnic on the mountain well. I wish those quarrelling Committees would establish peace, and let us all get together there again, and have some more picnics and other good times.

Wont you be coming down this way some time again? You must make your next visit to Englewood a little more generous, so that you can get more intimately acquainted with Elliott and Margaret, who will be delighted to escort you around their woods. Just now they are filled with delight over some cocoons which they are watching, and which they have hanging up in their nursery, and from one of which there came the other day, a gorgeous great moth, about five inches across the wings. They took him out into the woods yesterday, and let him fly away.

Will you please remember me to your father and mother and sisters, and thank them again for the very pleasant but very short hour I had in your home last week?

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

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April 27th, 1904.

The Rev. C. H. Bronson,

Simsbury, Conn.

My Dear Bronson:-

Thank you very much for the list of Pitkin's articles. I shall go up to the Yale Club some time as soon as I can, and pick out what may be worth while.

It was a pleasure to see you the other evening at Hartford.

Very sincerely yours,

April 28th, 1948.

Miss Margaret M. Sheaffer,
1600 West Seventh Street,
Wilmington, Del.

My Dear Margaret:-

I enclose herewith the bill for the Bible which you bought, and on which you will see you got one-third discount. If you prefer you can pay the bill through us, but it would be more direct and simple for you to send your check straight to 21 West Avenue.

I enclose a duplicate of the bill also.

With much love to Mother Susie and yourself from all of us.

Your sincere friend,

April 28th, 1903.

The Rev. John H. MacIntosh, D. D.,

San Anselmo, Calif.

My Dear Dr. MacIntosh:-

Your good note of February 25th, in answer to my letter about Horace Pitkin, was received some time ago. Shortly afterwards I had a talk with one of your daughters, and wrote to several of Horace's boyhood friends whose names she gave me. I have got nothing whatever from them, however. I have a great deal of material now. Of course ample recollections from Horace's classmates at Yale. And I am going forward with the Memorial, leaving a place in the first chapter for what I hope you may be able to find time to write regarding the family, especially Horace's father and his own boyhood.

I do not expect to come out to the Assembly. Dr. Halsey and Mr. Hand will represent us.

With kind regards to Mrs. MacIntosh and yourself,

Very cordially yours,

April 28th, 1904.

Miss M. T. Hatfield,
7 East Fifteenth Street.
New York City.

My Dear Miss Hatfield:-

I thank you heartily for your kind note written in behalf of the Executive Committee, with reference to the meetings before Easter. It was a pleasure to be of any help.

With best wishes for the work of the Association, I am,

Very truly yours,

April 29th, 1903.

Mr. John E. Jones,

Englewood, N. J.

My Dear Mr. Jones:-

Your kind note of April 28th, inviting me to make the address at the Memorial Services held by the Dwight Post at Brookside Cemetary, on May 30th, has been received. I shall be very glad to accept your invitation if the services are in the morning, but I have to leave town in the afternoon, and if they are, as I suppose they will be, in the afternoon, it will not, I am sorry to have to say, be possible to accept.

Very sincerely yours,

April 30th, 1903.

Mr. E. V. Vickrey,

156 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Vickrey:-

"The King can do no harm." If Dr. Holmes said so, let it stand, even if it isn't so. If he can make it possible for me to go up to the Conference, of course I shall be glad to go. Only he must tell something a shade nearer to the truth than Martin Luther did last Summer, about the railroad connections.

Very cordially yours,

April 30th, 1903.

Professor C. S. Beardslee,

Windsor, Conn.

My Dear Professor Beardslee:-

Your kind note of April 27th, with its enclosed check, is just received. I thank you very heartily for your kindness, and especially for the kind words of your note.

I have been thinking over the missionary work of the Seminary, about which we spoke, in connection with an outline course on Missions which I have just been suggesting to a college in the West that wanted to develop something of the sort. But the best advice I gave them, I think, was that they should get your Annual Register and little pamphlet on your Missionary Courses, and study them. I shall think the matter over a little more, however, before writing to you about it, or to Dr. Jacobus.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

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April 30th, 1903.

Miss Helen M. Wells,
155 South Third Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Wells:-

I am very sorry I was not here yesterday when you called, and I am filled with grief at the return of those clouds, which we had all hoped and prayed were gone forever. It was evident at the last meeting of the Board, that Dr. Wells was depressed, but I had hoped that he might get so much stronger with the coming of Spring, that his physical condition would throw off the depression. You can, indeed, rely upon our prayers that the darkness may pass away, and the light come back again.

I spoke only to Dr. Ellinwood and Dr. Brown about the matter, and we will take the responsibility of retaining Dr. Wells' letters, and saying nothing whatever to the Board about them. I shall acknowledge the receipt of the letters, and tell him that I am sure the Board will do nothing at this time.

The Annual Meeting of the Board is held on the first Monday in June, when the officers are elected for the new year. We shall earnestly hope that your father's present mood may have passed away by that time.

With deep sympathy, and trusting that you will let me know if my coming over might be the least use, in spite of Dr. Wells' injunction to the contrary, I am,

Very cordially yours,

April 30th, 1903.

The Rev. John D. Wells, D. D.,
155 South Third Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Wells:-

I have received your note, which Miss Helen brought over, together with the letter to the Board conveying your resignation. I am very sure that the Board will do nothing at all at this time, and we shall earnestly hope and pray that these clouds may pass away, as the former clouds passed, leaving the light in the sky that was there all the time, and that is there now, visible again.

With warm love from us all.

Very affectionately yours,

April 30th, 1903.

Miss Mary Caswell,

Wellesley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Caswell:-

Your kind note of April 28th is received. I am sorry that I cannot promise now to come for either of the two dates you mention. I have made no appointments for next Fall as yet, and shall endeavor not to do so until June. I can well appreciate your position and desire to have the Sundays definitely provided for, and would not think of taking you to hold your plans in abeyance for me at all. If, when I come to make out my engagements for next year, I can arrange to come to Wellesley for a Sunday, of course I shall be glad to do so; but I really cannot at this time promise, least of all a definite day.

Very cordially yours,

April 30th, 1903.

The Rev. DeWitt H. Benham, Ph. D.,

Baltimore, Maryland.

My Dear Dr. Benham:-

This is just a little note to wish you God's blessing as you start on a new period of activity in the Central Church. May the next fifty years be far richer and stronger than the last, and may you be in the Church during most of them. I find my joy in a fellower myself in edifyingly long pastorates.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

May 3,1903.

Mr. Henry A. Talmadge,

1331 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Talmadge:

Your note of April 20th was received yesterday. [illegible] personal questions in "[illegible] Conference". The [illegible] from Kipling's "Conference" [illegible] "[illegible]" and the third is a small [illegible] from Pepys, if I remember right, [illegible]. His authorship is indicated in the [illegible] is such as the [illegible] of [illegible] to which your correspondent refers. It is an exactness [illegible] one of the finest [illegible] poems in [illegible]. It is published in a very attractive form by Macmillan.

I will verify the proper [illegible] in the proof [illegible] of the [illegible] on it when in the [illegible] and return it to you.

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer.

May 4th, 1903.

Mrs. Anna A. Scott,

Coatesville, Penna.

My Dear Mrs. Scott:-

Your kind note and postal-card reminder of the Presbyterial meeting in Chester, on May 13th, is just received. I am looking forward with pleasure to being there.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] F. Speer,
P.D.

May 4,1921.

Miss Alice Jackson,

8 Billings Avenue,

Northampton, Mass.

My dear Miss Jackson:

I do not think there is need of any change in your relationship to the Board. You have Dr. Rowland's opinion. We shall be very glad to keep your name on our list of possible candidates, if you desire, although I feel from what you report of Dr.Rowland's judgment that unless some miracle is wrought, in whose possibility I of course do not disbelieve, the prospect of your ever going out to the Marash field is not bright. This is one course to pursue, the other would be to have Dr.Rowland make a formal report and on the basis of this report, the Board could decline your application for appointment "on account of health". This would leave you in the class of Volunteers, who have made application and have been closely detained at home providential circumstances. We shall be glad to leave things either way, just as you prefer.

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself,

Very sincerely yours,

I have to regretfully state at the outset that it has not been possible for me to read over all the letters which arrived during my absence, but I do, of course, see that all Board actions which may require my signature have been taken so that there are no loose ends to tie up.

May 6th, 1903.

Mr. H. M. Bulkley,

Englewood, N. J.

My Dear Mr. Bulkley:-

Among some books sent me for review a few weeks ago, I found a copy of a little book on "Happiness" by Carl Hilty, a Professor of Constitutional Law in the University of Berne. I marked my copy all over with blue pencil marks before I got through with it, but I was so pleased with it, and felt after reading it that, if I had not expressed the true doctrine of work inerrantly, this little book sets it forth in a way that I am sure you will approve, and I am venturing to send you a copy of it herewith.

With warm regards.

Very cordially yours,

Robert

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May 6th, 1905.

Mr. Louis Hieb,

Montclair, N. J.

My Dear Mr. Hieb:-

Mrs. Speer has been unable to answer your letter asking about the Camp in Northern New Hampshire, and has asked me to reply for her, with deep expressions of regret at this delay in sending you an answer. I forgot to get your letter when I came away this morning, but I think I can give you the information you want, as Mrs. Speer talked the matter over with me.

Mr. Coleman, the owner of the Camp, is away in the Holy Land, and will not be back I think until June. His Superintendent, however, Mr. Herbert Little, Colebrook, N. H. has authority to make all arrangements.

The regular price at the Camp is ten dollars a week for adults, and I think half that account for children. This covers everything that is really necessary, except laundry. To this of course would have to be added the traveling expenses from New York. The cheapest route costs I think about $17.50 for the round trip, not including meals, or a night's stay at Colebrook before driving out to the Camp, if that is determined upon.

While these are the regular rates, Mr. Coleman's purpose in conducting the Camp is really Christian. I suppose that these rates barely cover the cost of maintenance, and he is constantly foregoing them altogether or reducing them in the case of missionaries and other Christian workers. Last year, I suppose there were ten people there at no expense to themselves whatever except for traveling to and from the Camp. Of course Mrs. Speer and I have no authority to promise anything in Mr. Coleman's behalf. At the same time, I have no doubt that he would be only too glad to make arrangements with you, bringing the great advantages of the Camp within your reach. And I think this intimation from us he would be perfectly

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ready to honor when he comes.

I go up to the Camp myself always by rail. Mrs. Speer and the children went the last time by the Fall River Boat to Boston, and from there by rail. This costs a trifle more, but not very much. Going by the Fall River line to Boston, of course you leave New York at five o'clock in the afternoon, getting to Boton in the morning, leaving there in a hour or two, and reaching Colebrook at half past two in the afternoon. From there it is a ten or twelve miles drive out to Colebrook. The Camp buckboards meet the train on notice in advance sent to Mr. Little. I go up usually by the night train, which, however, is not very convenient. If one is going up by train it is better to take the White Mountain Express, leaving at nine o'clock in the morning, and reaching Colebrook at ten o'clock at night. One can drive straight out to the Camp then, if he wishes, arriving about midnight, or can spend the night in a clean little hotel in Colebrook, which is of course better for children, after such a long, trying ride.

The Camp is exactly what Mrs. Hieb ought to have. We had with us last Summer, a young woman who was threatened with tuberculosis, and it has made a new creature of her. You could not find a more healthful place, or more pleasant wholesome life. The prospects are that the people in the Camp this Summer will be just as delightful as last.

There are a number of cabins with two and three rooms, and if you decide to go, and will let me know, I shall be glad to write at once to Mr. Little, asking him to reserve one of the larger cabins, which I think will be satisfactory for you and your family.

Very cordially yours,

Arthur Hill

P. S.

Since writing the above, I got your letter to Mrs. Speer. I have written to Mr. Little with reference to your having a cabin on the board walk, and if you

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go up early, as you are planning to do, there will be no difficulty about this, and I am sure will be no difficulty any time during the Summer. There are only two cabins not on the Board walk, and of these one is Mr. Coleman's.

I am sorry the children are under the weather. If they can go up to Camp Diamond, that will be the making of them, and their whooping cough ought to be altogether over with by that time. The Camp is all close together, so that there would be difficulty in quarantining children, especially as there is only one dining-room; but I do not imagine there would be any other children in the Camp until July. The only cabin in which it would be easy to quarantine children is the cabin out near Mr. Coleman's, and off any of the board walks. Children in the other camps would be sure to play together. What children there will be there this Summer I cannot say. Last Summer there were only our own and Mr. Little's. This Summer, I believe Mr. Stone of Baltimore, is thinking of going with his two little children, and possibly Mrs. Will Moody, from Northfield, with her little ones.

R. E. S.

May 4th, 1903.

Mr. Herbert Little,

Calebrook, N. H.

My Dear Mr. Little:-

I write with reference to your reserving for our family at the Camp this Summer, a cabin. We shall have three little children with us this Summer, and I think we should very much prefer the cabin across the road from the one we have had the last two Summers. I mean the cabin occupied last year byDr. Holmes, and the preceding Summer by the Swartz family. That cabin has three rooms, and it is on the main street of the Camp, and I think we would have difficulty in getting along with any other. The Taylors' cabin is too far away, and the cabin the Loomis family had is on the hillside, and some of the youngsters would be sure to break their necks.

I do not know just when we shall be able to come up, but I shall let you know as soon as possible, so that in case we come late and you could give us that cabin during our stay, you would yet be able to make use of it for any others who might need it before we come.

A number of our friends are talking of coming up this Summer, and you may have heard from some of them.

There is a family of missionaries from Ceylon, who want to come also, - Mr. and Mrs. Hitch and two children. They may desire to come up for the whole Summer. I have not yet heard from them definitely. If they decide to come, you will hear at once from them. If you can give us the cabin across the street from our old one, perhaps you could give the Hitchs our old cabin, in case they decide to go. Or at least let them start in there. I am not sure whether they will be able to meet the whole expense, but Mr. Coleman can adjust that when he returns.

I do not know what sort of accommodations there would be for a family with

two children on the second floor of the men's lodge to the east of the dining-room. Perhaps that would suit the Miebs. But as they will probably go up at the opening of the Camp if they will be able to go, there will be plenty of room and plenty of time for adjustment.

Will you kindly let me know whether we can have for our own family the three room cabin I have referred to?

I hope that you and your father and mother are all well, and with kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself, and Elliott, who remembers you with much friendliness, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

P. S.

Since writing the above, I have seen your letter of April 21st to Mr. Mieb. I judge from what you say there that the cabin you have in mind for him is the one for which I have asked. But I am sure they would be perfectly satisfied with the one we have had hitherto.

May 6th, 1905.

Mrs. H. T. Pitkin,

Troy, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Pitkin:-

Your letter of April 29th, from North Carolina, is just received. You will be glad to know that I finished last night the first draft of the Memoir. It is in nine chapters, and has grown a little longer than I suspected it would, but is still I think far short of the life of Hugh Beaver. I think, furthermore, that it was wisest to put in all that was at all likely to be desirable, as it is easier to cut out afterwards than it is to add.

Of course it all must be written off in typewriting. This has been done thus far with only about a quarter of it, and I am not sure whether the other chapters can all be cleared off before the first of July, as it is only possible to do it at odds and ends of time here.

It has worked out a great deal better than I feared it would, although it is much more of a memoir than it is of a biography, there not having been sufficient material to enable one to make an accurate study of the growth of opinion and the development of inner character. At the same time, as I have said, it comes a great deal nearer to what I had hoped it might have been from the examination of the material suggested at first.

I expect to go over some time here when I can have an hour or two of liberty, the files of the Yale Courant in the Library of the Yale Club, and pick out anything that it might be well to quote, and I have left a gap in the second chapter for the insertion of anything of this sort.

I do not think that there will be any expense involved in its publication. I understand from the Revell Company that they will take it at their own risk. In any event I do not think they would ask more than that they might have a guarantee that so many copies would be taken, say five hundred or so, and I am sure that if

they ask that, we could easily get such guarantees. But that has not been suggested, and I suspect that Revell will very willingly take the whole responsibility, provided I will sign with him just such an agreement as I have signed in connection with the other books which I have prepared, and he has published, covering copyrights, royalties, etc. This will relieve everyone of any care, the publisher attending to everything and keeping the book in stock. I do not think it ought to cost more than $1.25, and trust that Revell may be willing to get it out for $1.00.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you when you come in this month,

I am,

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer

May 6th, 1903.

The Rev. J. H. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller-

I enclose herewith two long editorials, five short ones, and a number of notes for Forward. I have ventured to send the article entitled "Four Attitudes Toward Evil" to a little Students' paper published in England, where I think it will not appear for some time, and where in any event, I do not suppose it would interfere at all with its publication in Forward.

I am getting out as a little book, those articles "A Young Man's Questions," having added four or five others to them. I am using the article entitled "Why Should I be a Christian," which I sent you some little time ago. Please let me know if this will be all right. If not, I shall be glad to find out about it. If it will be all right, please do not take the trouble to answer this question at all.

I have read with very much interest your good letter of April 30th, regarding the Bible Studies in the Life of Christ. I shall begin to do some thinking on the matter, and as soon as I can outline something a little more definite, shall prepare one or two lessons to submit to you for criticism and suggestion.

Very affectionately yours,

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May 8th, 1903.

Mrs. James Dillingham,
780 Highland Avenue,
Forest Hill, Newark, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Dillingham:

Your kind note of May 5th has been received, with its very clear directions regarding the time and place of the meeting on May 23d. I shall take the train from Jersey City to which you have referred, arriving at Forest Hill at 2:00.

Very cordially yours,

Mr. A. R. Williams, Jr.,
3 West 29th Street, N. Y. City.

May 6th, 1903.

My Dear Williams:-

Thank you for your note of yesterday. I have already heard from the Maine Colleges, and have had to write that I see no prospect of being able to spend the time there that they propose. I should be glad to do anything that I could, but it is pretty far away, and it would take one or two weeks, and that I see no prospect of being able to give.

Wouldn't Seyford do?

Very cordially yours,

May 6th, 1903.

The Rev. H. M. Dyckman,
552 High Street,
Pottstown, Penna.

My Dear Mr. Dyckman:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. If they have no other plans at the Hill, where of course my first duty is, for the evening of the 17th, I shall be very glad to speak for you in the church that evening. It is always a pleasure to meet the old acquaintances of the church and to be of any service to you.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

May 6th, 1903.

Miss Elizabeth L. Sherrard,
810 Franklin Avenue,
Wilkinsburg Station,
Pittsburg, Penna.

My Dear Miss Sherrard:-

I am delighted to have the opportunity of leading anyone to read Myers' "Saint Paul." I am glad you haven't read it, that you may have the joy and delight of it before you. There is a very attractive edition of the poem published by Macmillan and Company, 66 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City. Any bookseller can get it from Macmillan for you. I have forgotten the price, but I think it is $1.25.

Very sincerely yours,

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May 6th, 1903.

Miss Lilian Stevenson,
22, Warwick Lane,
London, E. C., England.

My Dear Miss Stevenson:-

I am sorry to have been so slow in sending any article for your paper, and even now I am not sure that the article I enclose will be such as you desire; but as there is no present prospect of sending any other, and as I do think that the subject with which this one deals is vital, I shall just venture to send it on to you.

I am glad that you saw Dr. Moosa, and trust that Dr. Hodgkin may take an interest in him, and help to hold him to a well-balanced Christian life.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

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May 6th, 1905.

Miss Louise Holmquist,

176 West 87th Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Miss Holmquist,-

Your kind note with reference to the Alumnae Conference on July 1st, was received some time ago. I shall be very glad to speak as you suggest, at the Conference that morning.

You will be interested to know that Elliott and Margaret have a little sister, named Eleanor McMurtrie Speer. She was alive when I left home this morning, and I hope still is, if the whole household has succeeded in keeping Elliott and Margaret away. They live in the permanent desire to smother her with kisses and patting her to death.

With kind regards from us all,

Very sincerely yours,

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Miss Mary Dresse Fuller,

Northampton, Mass.

My dear Miss Fuller:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I shall take pleasure in giving it to Emily this evening. You will be glad to know that Mrs. Spear is remarkably well and that the children are all very jubilant and happy.

Very cordially, yours,

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May 8th, 1903.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Charlie:

If you have not already called attention in your Notes of Conventions and Meetings to the Young Women's Conference at Silver Bay, the young women would be very glad if you could do so.

Mrs. Speer is not carrying on any correspondence just now, and I am trying to clear up all her letters for her, and find this matter among them.

I enclose herewith a note of the Conference, which I find in Mrs. Speer's desk. I have inserted the name of the Rev. R. J. Campbell of London instead of my own, as he has since been added to the speakers, but I don't send out notices with my own name in them.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

Mrs. L. D. Ellard,

[illegible] Park Street,

Montclair, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Ellard:

We have another little daughter at our home and Mrs. Speer has asked me to clear up so much of her correspondence as still remains on her desk. Especially, she asks me to attend to the matter of Miss Beecil's medical examination. I am wondering if this may not have been already attended to. If you will kindly let me know, I shall be glad to write Miss Beecil a note and have her use our medical adviser, who will fill out, in her case, the Medical Certificate which we use and which can then be sent at once to your Committee.

If you do not have more than one or two Candidates a year, I suppose that Dr. Ferraird would be quite willing to attend to them just as he does ours, as a gratuitous service, or that he would not object to our sending them to him just as if they were our own, forwarding the Medical Certificates to your Committee.

Very cordially yours,

L -

May 7th, 1903.

Mr. James Bratt,

Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

A young man called on me the other day, soliciting a contribution for the work of the Bergen County Children's Aid Society, and also for its building. I made a subscription, and enclose herewith my check covering the same.

Very truly yours,

May 8th, 1905.

Miss Alice Varley,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Varley:

I am sorry I cannot give you any information regarding Mr. Bender. I know nothing about him.

I enclose herewith two reviews.

I have received half a dozen books recently from Revell, on which I shall hope soon to send notes.

I should be glad to review the little biography of Mazzini referred to in the enclosed clipping and also the following books:

Slater's "Higher Criticism." published by Elliott Stock.
Mackenzie's, "John Mackenzie", published by Hodder and Stoughton on the other side, and I think by Armstrong here, although, I am not sure.

Browne's "Literary History of Persia", published by Scribners
Welsh's "Challenged Christian Missions", published by Allison.

Possibly, this last has been reviewed, although I think not.

I don't remember whether I told you that I had received the two volumes, "More Letters of Charles Darling", from Appleton and Meyer's "Human Personality".

Cordially yours,

Encs.

May 1, 1917.

Miss Alice L. Butchelder,

Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Miss Butchelder:

Your note of April 24th to Mrs. Speer was received some days ago. I write in her behalf to say that she is not expecting to be at Silver Bay this year, but if there is anything she can do, she will be glad to do it. The detailed business arrangements are, however, in the hands of the Secretaries; especially, I believe, Miss Harriet Taylor. Miss Taylor is now in California at the Pacific Coast Conference. It might be well for you to send her a note to the headquarters in Chicago.

Both Mrs. Speer and I wish there were some more definite suggestions that we could make to assure your getting to Silver Bay this year.

With kind regards from us both,

Very sincerely yours,

May 11,1903.

Miss Alice Varley,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Varley:

I enclose herewith another book review.

Very sincerely yours,

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April 30th, 1903.

The Rev. H. W. Luce,

Tengchow, Chefoo, China.

My Dear Luce:-

Your good note of March 30th, with its enclosed clipping containing letters from Paotingfu, has been received. I am very much obliged for it. I have written three chapters of the Memorial, and I hope to complete the book this month, although I get only an hour or two each evening to work on it. I am making use of all the material that has come in, and trust that the gaps may not be so great as to spoil the value of the book.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

May 11th, 1903.

Mr. W. D. Schermerhorn,
2050 Pratt Court,
Evanston, Ills.

My Dear Mr. Schermerhorn:-

Your letters of May 2nd and 7th have been received, the latter this morning. I ~~naturally~~ find it very hard to give you a definite answer. I should greatly enjoy coming and giving the Lectures, but I cannot undertake to go on to Evanston specifically for that purpose, and while I think there is every probability that I shall be in the West in October, and able to get time for the Lectures, yet I have misgivings about definitely engaging to do so, as my work may not take me West at that time. If my time were altogether my own to control, I could of course give you a definite answer, but my movements are shaped by the demands of our work, and I can only give these Lectures as I might be able to work them in incidentally in connection with my own immediate duties. At the same time, I think it is so almost certain that I shall be in the middle West in the Fall, that I feel tolerably sure that I can give this course. But more than that I do not think it would be right for me to say. I appreciate how unsatisfactory this leaves the matter for you, and shall be perfectly satisfied, in case it is desirable to have everything definitely settled now, as it may well be, to let the whole matter drop.

Very cordially yours,

May 22,1922.

The Rev. H. M. Dyckman,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Dyckman:

Your card note of Saturday is just received. I shall be very glad to speak to the young people.

Thank you very much for your invitation to have Tea with you. It will be a great pleasure to meet your sister. Something may depend as to my coming, on whether I get any time for preparation for the evening meeting, until after the Vesper Service at the Hall. If not, I may need all the scraps of time between then and the evening meeting in the Church.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, I am

Very cordially yours,

May 11,1903.

Mr. Anson P. Stokes,

Yale University,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

Can you tell me whether Professor F.W.Williams is in New Haven or is away? I sent him sometime ago a letter containing an article which was to be forwarded to him, and my letter has not been returned nor have I had any acknowledgement of its receipt.

I hope that you are very well and with kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Jan [illegible].

Professor John [illegible],

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor,

These last six weeks have been almost our busiest season - preparing our reports, making out our budget, closing the old year and opening the new, and I am only beginning now to get my head above the correspondence that has accumulated.

I do not want to file away your kind letter of the 20th ult. without an acknowledgement of it and some expression of appreciation of your constant, considerate thoughtfulness.

Looking forward with pleasure to the coming Sunday and with much love from Mrs. Speer and me to you and Mrs. John,

Very affectionately yours,

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May 11, 1903.

Messrs. Dyer Bros.,

The Sentinel,

Paternoster Square,

London, England.

Dear Sirs:

Will you kindly tell me what of the books or pamphlets of George Bowen of Bombay, you publish. I shall be very much obliged for the loan of such.

If you have still in print Bowen's "In what style shall I live". I shall be much obliged if you will send me a copy. I will remit at once, if you will let me know the price.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

The Funk & Wagnall Co.,

30 Lafayette Place,

[illegible].

Dear Sirs:

I have enjoyed reviewing some of April Drum, which I could read entirely a little more on the "Christian Renewal". I very read it was with interest and am glad to add in the next paragraph, a sentence or two, which you are at liberty to omit:

I do not see how any one can read this clear and [illegible] account of one of the most spiritual movements of our time without feeling a desire for a fuller experience of the pioneer Christian life and without a clearer understanding of how that desire may be fulfilled.

Very sincerely yours,

May 11th, 1905.

Mrs. I. P. Row,

Cambridge, Mass.

My Dear Mrs. Row:-

The surviving friends of George Bowen in this country, and many of those who never knew him but have felt his influence, have long been of the opinion that there should be some memorial or biography which would perpetuate Bowen's memory and influence in this country. Many have forgotten him, who remember much less notable missionaries, because there is available no life or extended sketch of Bowen's career. Some of the friends of his family have put into my hands what letters they have of his, and other papers have been collected which would have to be studied by any one attempting to form an estimate of Mr. Bowen's life and work. I have tried to persuade the Rev. J. M. Robinson to prepare the biography, but he feels that he cannot take it up, so I am venturing to gather all the material I can, although ready at any time to transfer it to any one of the many who are better able than I, when they will be willing to do so. Would you not be willing to write out your recollections of Mr. Bowen, together with your estimate of his character while he lived, and his influence during his life and subsequently? Any reflections on the relations of Mr. Bowen's convictions and methods of work to the missionary principles in general, would be very helpful also.

I trust that something may be accomplished in this way to preserve the influence of this man of God, and at the same time to draw from his life the lessons which can be learned there, as to what is wise and fruitful in missionary work.

I think you have many personal recollections of Mr. Bowen, and I hope that you have letters of his, either to your family or to Mr. Row, which you will let me copy.

I have been informed that Mr. Bowen proposed to one of your sisters, agree-

Mrs. Howe, 2.

ing, in case she accepted him, to keep a carriage, and live in the usual European style. You must have a great many incidents and anecdotes about him which would be invaluable. If I could help in any way toward your writing these out, I should be very glad to do so. Would it help to have a stenographer come and take them down? or could I call some time when I am in Boston to talk with you?

Very sincerely yours,

May 11th, 1903.

The Rev. R. A. Hume,

Byculla, Bombay, India.

My Dear Dr. Hume:-

Your good letter of February 23th was received some time ago, and I am very much obliged to you for your generous promise to help. I wish the tables might be turned, and that you would prepare the Memorial, and let me help to gather material for you here.

Since hearing from you I have been in New Haven, but I did not see your Mother. My visit was too late for that. I met your sister, however, and I think your daughter, and had some little talk with them; and have since written asking them to write out what they could in the way of reminiscences regarding Bowen.

I am writing to Mrs. Dow, and shall if possible see her.

Thank you very much for your intimation of the danger of over-stating the inexpensiveness of Mr. Bowen's style of living. I have heard a good deal about the real facts in the matter, and have been inclined to take up this matter of the Memorial on purpose to set the facts forth as they really were, and to deal with the whole question of asceticism or non-asceticism in foreign missions as one of the many questions of great importance on which Bowen's life throws light.

One of our missionaries in India to whom I wrote about this Memorial, has urged especially the importance of getting from you and Dr. Machichan and Mrs. Bissell, Sr., of Ahmednagar, and Mr. Morris of Bombay, and the Rev. S. V. Bhaumalar and Baba Padmanje, your recollections and judgments. Can you speak to Dr. Machichan and the others of this list, as you see them from time to time, and urge them to write out their recollections and their estimate of Bowen's character and influence? I am venturing to enclose herewith a note to each of them, and shall

Mr. Hume, I,

be very much obliged if you could send them, with some word of your own.

With sincere regards.

Very truly yours,

May 11th., 1908.

The Rev. J. J. Coale,

Toms River, N. J.

My Dear Mr. Coale:-

I have been writing a series of articles for Forward, the young people's paper published by our Board of Publication, and which has a circulation, as you know, of several hundred thousand, on young men, one character sketch appearing each month. My object has been to tell the story during the year of twelve young men whose lives would show what a fine and noble thing it is for a young man to be a Christian - to be a Christian as a boy, and to be a Christian as a young man. I should like very much to write one of these sketches on Isaac if you have no objection, and if there is material enough that could be used to make such a sketch. Do you have any letters of his that would help, or any stories or incidents about his boyhood and college and after life, which you or any of the family would be willing to write out that I might use them? Ever since we entered college together, I had a real affection and respect for Isaac, and watched with gratitude his growth after coming to New York. It seems to me some little sketch of his life would be helpful to many, and would serve to perpetuate his good and wholesome influence.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

May 17th, 1908.

The Rev. E. P. Hodge, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Hodge:-

You may have noticed in Forward, a series of articles which I have been writing on some Christian young men. The articles that have appeared thus far have related to Hugh Beaver, Horace Fielding, Walter Lowrie, and other young men of that character. I should like very much to write one article in the series on your son, Courtlend, if you would not object. If you should be willing, may I ask whether there is any material, apart from Dr. Ketler's book, which I might have access to? Of course I am dealing in these articles with not alone the last three or four years of active service of the lives of these young men, but of the whole life, showing how it is possible for a Christian boy to grow up a Christian from the beginning, and live the happiest, truest, noblest type of life. Anything that throws light on Christian boyhood in the way of incident and anecdote, is what I think in these articles would do most good to many boys and young men, who can learn from these experiences what a fine and glorious thing the Christian life is for a boy and a young man.

Very affectionately yours,

May 11th, 1903.

The Rev. J. F. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

Your good letter of May 8th has been received. Thank you very much for your generous response to my inquiry about the article for the students' paper in England.

With reference to the other article, "Why Should I be a Christian?" I would say that Revell hopes to bring out the little book in July, and if that would interfere with your use of the article, I should be glad to replace it with another one. July is not a bad time to bring out this particular kind of a book on this account, namely, that the various Student Conferences of the Summer are held the last week in June and the first week in July, and these are about as good opportunities as can be found for bringing the book to the attention of the students.

Thank you very much for your most generous proposal regarding books for the Bible Studies in the Life of Christ. I may need some more, but if I do, they will probably be books such as I would want to have in my own library anyway. I am turning that matter over in my mind again and again, and praying for just the right light.

I am glad to say that I am not going to the Assembly this year. I do not enjoy going to the Assembly any year, and the further away it is, the less I enjoy it. Next year it will be my turn to go. Dr. Halsey and Mr. Hand are going from our offices.

I have made inquiries from time to time in a quiet way regarding the editorial worker you need. It is just the kind of a position for which I am sure somewhere there is a man who has been fitted by his experience and the ways of God with his life for just what you want done. I shall keep on the watch, and shall

Dr. Miller, H.

hope to be able to make some suggestion.

May I have another copy of Forward for my file?

Very affectionately yours,

May 11th, 1900.

The Rev. W. H. Stephens,
2511 Prairie Avenue,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin:-

Dear Mr. Stephens:-

The surviving friends of George Bowen in this country, and many of those who never knew him but have felt his influence, have long been of the opinion that there should be some memorial or biography which would perpetuate Bowen's memory and influence in this country. Many have forgotten him who remember much less notable missionaries, because there is available no life or extended sketch of Bowen's career. Some of the friends of his family have put into my hands what letters they have of his, and other papers have been collected which would have to be studied by any one attempting to form an estimate of Mr. Bowen's life and work. I have tried to persuade the Rev. J. E. Robinson to prepare the biography, but he feels that he cannot take it up, so I am venturing to gather all the material I can, although ready at any time to transfer it to any one of the many who are better able than I, when they will be willing to do so. Would you not be willing to write out your recollections of Mr. Bowen, together with your estimate of his character while he lived, and his influence during his life, and subsequently? Any reflections on the relations of Mr. Bowen's convictions and methods of work to the missionary principles in general, would be helpful also.

Trusting that something may be accomplished in this way to preserve the influence of this man of God, and at the same time to draw from his life the lessons which can be learned there as to what is wise and fruitful in missionary work, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

May 11th, 1903.

The Rev. T. H. Turner,

Corning, Iowa.

My Dear Turner:-

It was a pleasure to receive the other day, your letter of May 5th. I had seen in the Alumni-Princetonian an account of your brother's death, and lamented with others this sudden ending of such a promising life.

It was good to hear of your whereabouts, and to know of your present work. I rejoice to hear of the practical scheme you have in hand for giving some help to Missions. I hardly know what to suggest as the better way for you to do in your carry out your plan, - whether to send what you raise to the Treasurer here, Mr. Charles W. Hand, or just let it come to the Board through the local churches. I should think that perhaps the former would be the better, except where you and some church would make a special arrangement. Doubtless many of your talks would be given before general gatherings, or in schools or in halls, without any relation to the churches. It seems to me it would be best for you to do the whole thing just as a personal matter, and turn over what you desire of the net proceeds to the foreign mission cause. I would not introduce the missionary element I think, in your attempts, or publish statements at all. It seems to me it would be better to go forward simply and plainly with the plan, just using your earnings as a man would the earnings of his business. He might say plainly enough when it came to the matter of a Christian testimony, that he was doing his business for the Lord, and not for himself; but he would scarcely want to do this formally. Still, I can see what might be said in favor of a different proceeding. You might feel much more comfortable doing the work for Missions alone, and stating it so. But I should think the whole matter was for your personal judgment and preference. I would like to see one of the chalk talks myself. That picture of Adam and Eve and

the Apple, is very tempting. I do not tender the call. Will you be coming East at all soon? There are plenty of fields of work everywhere for men who will throw themselves into them with earnestness and devotion, and I should be very glad to be of any help I could in getting you settled here in some useful field in the East.

I should think for the present, if I were in your place, I would go right into the work of the forming Presbytery, in some one of the young churches of which you wrote; only I should be glad to be kept in touch with you, and to hear from you from time to time.

I have been writing for a little paper published by our Board of Publication in Philadelphia, entitled Forward, a series of monthly articles this year, on young men who have shown that it is possible to live the truest kind of Christian life, and at the same time be men of the most joyful, attractive type. One of the articles has been on Walter Lowrie, who was, I think, after your time in Princeton; another on Pitkin, a Yale man, who was killed in Pactingfu; and I want to write another one on Courtland Hodge. My object is to show to the scores of those boys and young men who read the paper, that it is possible for a boy to be a Christian boy from the outset, and when the time comes, a Christian man, and to live without stain a noble life. How would it do to write one of these sketches on your brother? and is there enough material that one could get in the way of letters of his, and incidents and anecdotes? If there is, and you can give me enough material, I should be very glad to write one of these little sketches about him, for Forward, about eighteen hundred or two thousand words in length.

With best wishes for God's blessing on you wherever you may be, and whatever you may do, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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May 14th, 1903.

Miss Mary Caswell,

Wellesley, Mass.

My Dear Miss Caswell:-

Your kind note of May 11th was received yesterday. I appreciate very much the cordiality of your invitation, and shall hope to let you know later whether it will be possible for me to come for any of the dates you mention. I shall hope in June to get the appointments for next Fall and early Winter definitely settled.

Very sincerely yours,

May 14th, 1903.

Miss Elizabeth L. Ely,
Riverside Drive and 88th Street,
New York City.

My Dear Miss Ely:-

Your kind note of May 7th, with its enclosure, was received several days ago. Mrs. Speer and I were both sorry that we could not come last Tuesday. She will hope to have the opportunity some time next year of seeing the school and meeting you.

I am finding it a little difficult to settle appointments for next Fall, in view of the uncertainties as to Western engagements. I shall probably have to be away in October, but hope to be back by November 1st, and as far as I can now see, shall be glad to speak that evening to the girls. If anything should arise to prevent, I shall let you know in ample time, and should be glad to make sure that you get some acceptable person instead.

I hope you may have a very pleasant Summer, and may come back in the Fall greatly refreshed and strengthened.

Very cordially yours,

Robert Speer

May 14th, 1921.

Mr. G. A. Schmitt,
148 Sycamore Street,
Roslindale, Mass.

Dear Mr. Schmitt:-

Your kind note of May 11th is just received. I am very much obliged for your encouraging words regarding the article in the Gallaudet. I am not sure whether I shall put the papers on Twelve Noble Young Men together and publish them in a little book or not. It depends a good deal on what demand there is for them. I wrote several years ago, an extended biography of Hugh Beaver, who is the first of the twelve young men described, and I am just writing now, a memorial of Mr. Fitkin, who was the fourth of them.

The articles which appeared in the Gallaudet last year, entitled "A Young Man's Questions," will be published this Spring or Summer, by Revell, in a little book, and very probably the Twelve Noble Young Men series will be published next year in the same way, although as I have said, I have not determined as yet to do this.

I am glad to hear of your class. No work is better worth doing than this work on the lives of young men, and I hope all of your young men may turn out men after God's own heart, who shall do all His will.

Very cordially yours,

May 14th, 1903.

President George Harris,

Amherst, Mass.

My Dear Dr. Harris:-

Your kind note of May 7th has been received. I am hampered in making definite plans for next October at this time, because of the uncertainty as to the dates of our Synod meetings, and of the engagements which I shall have to attend there. We do not get the list of dates and places of the Synod meetings until after the General Assembly, and as almost all of them come in October, I have to keep my time for October as free as possible until this list is received, and I can discover where I shall have to go and for how long I shall have to be away that month. If I should not have any work in connection with the Synods which would make it impracticable, I should be very glad to come to Amherst for October 4th. But, in view of the uncertainty, I cannot now engage to come. I know the importance of making provision definitely in advance, and so sorry I cannot promise definitely now to come.

Very sincerely yours,

May 18,1905.

Mr. Herbert S. Little,

Colebrook, N.H.

My dear Mr.Little:

Your kind letter of Monday is just received.

[illegible] we shall go up to the camp.

I have written to Mr.Heib, telling him that Camp will [illegible] he will go up.

I think there are a number of things of ours in the cabin [illegible] gether in some one of the other cabins?

I suppose Mr.Heib will need cribs for his children and think that it would be well for Mr.Haines to make them for you, unless you have others in the camp than those which we have had.

Mr.Heib tells me that his two children have some Whooping Cough. I hope that will be kept away from your children. I suppose the Whooping Cough will not last very much longer.

With kind regards to Mrs.Little and you,

Very cordially yours,

May 18,1903.

Mr. Louis Heib,

Montclair, N.J.

My dear Mr. Heib:

I have just received a card from Mr. Little to inform me that they are going to open Camp on the [illegible] of June and that he would be glad to see you any time after that. There will be many [illegible] people there at that time except Mr. Little and the [illegible] and [illegible] come and go. The way find is a little [illegible] board [illegible] and there will be some [illegible]. Board [illegible] usually do not [illegible] until the middle of July, but the [illegible] are now here to accommodate the children. They will [illegible] and I would advise you to take your winter things with you. There will be plenty of good cooking in the camp. The cabin that I [illegible] Mr. Little will give you for the one we have had heretofore, and is one of the most comfortable cabins in the camp. It has two rooms, and has a fireplace and the other cabin's place. [illegible] and I had one of them for a sitting room and the other for a bedroom. Last, the cabin we had built a large bed. I have before me a photo of the house in which Mabel and I go writing to Mr. Little to make [illegible] and to have [illegible] the stoves, which we could use, I think, this Summer. It is not quite as good as the cabin you will book, but it will be the best [illegible] with large children. The reason is [illegible], because [illegible] when you will go up. If you do not find the cabin as which I refer, satisfactory, you will see plenty of other cabins from which to choose.

The Summer Schedule will not be on in June, so that you may not find it as convenient to go up to the camp by the "All-Rail Route" as

[illegible]

[illegible] Do not hesitate to let me be of any help if you be looking up the most convenient route.

Mr.Little has a number of little children and it would be too bad if they should get the Whooping Cough from your youngsters. He may still have it when you get up. I mean you will be careful of them and keep them from bringing it to the others. He might easily spread and kill the manor, and if that were the case, I suppose a good many people would [illegible] stay away.

Let me know if I can give you any further suggestions or answer any questions.

I am writing to Mr.Little that he will have [illegible] as to the time of your coming.

I hope the soldiers may [illegible] Cough Hospital. Cough and [illegible] may still [illegible] and [illegible] to you.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

May 15th, 1924.

Professor Willis J. Beecher, D. D.,

Auburn, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Beecher,-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received, with the accompanying copies of the "Old Tradition and the New." I am very much obliged for these, and shall at once send them on their way doing good. I thoroughly enjoyed this little paper. We need a good deal more of just the same sort of thing. The other propaganda has had altogether too free a field.

Very cordially yours,

May 15th, 1905.

Miss Edith Dudley Sheldon,
Girard College,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Miss Sheldon:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I am sorry to have to say that there is no prospect whatever of my being able to accept your invitation for next October or November. I could not go over to Philadelphia specially for your Endeavor meeting, and indeed, have only been able to speak at Girard College as it has come in incidentally with other engagements, and next October I shall probably be away in the West, and will not be in Philadelphia at all.

I would suggest your getting Mr. T. H. P. Sailer, Ph. D., of 4046 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, who is a thorough student of Missions, and who will be able to do a great deal in the way of interesting members of your Society.

Very cordially yours,

May 18th, 1904.

Miss Alice L. Batchelder,

Bloomington, Indiana.

My Dear Miss Batchelder:-

Your note of Wednesday is just received. I shall be glad to refrain from quoting in public the extract from Professor Wood's letter which I quoted in Wilkesbarre. I did not know it was to you. I supposed it was from a letter to Miss Barnes. I am writing to Miss Wilson to be sure to let me review any of my addresses at Wilkesbarre which they contemplate publishing, and I shall be very glad to cut out Professor Wood's letter.

I hope that your work is going forward encouragingly, and that the way may open for you to go to Silver Bay this Summer.

Very sincerely yours,

May 18th, 1904.

Miss Elizabeth Wilson,
1512 Champlain Building,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Miss Wilson:-

Will you please let me review any of the reports of my addresses at Wilkesbarre, that you have any idea of publishing? If you have reports of the Saturday and Sunday evening addresses, and do not intend to publish them, and have no other use for them, I should be very much obliged if you could let me have them. Miss Batchelder has written to me about one of the letters which I quoted on Saturday evening, asking that it be omitted, and there are other things also that I should want to omit in any publication.

Very cordially yours,

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May 18, 1903.

Mrs. Gilbert Beaver,
917 Third Front Street,
Harrisburg, Pa.

My dear Lucy:

Just now would be to answer your note regarding Camp Kimmel. As I think Edith explained to you, most of the cabins are built along the street with a board-walk on either side. On the north side of the street are, first, the cabin we will have, next Miss Knauf, next Mrs. Seybert, next two tents, next two small cabins, one of which is Sleepy Hollow. I think that Idle Hour and Sleepy Hollow would be comfortable enough for you and your mother, but as you see, two cabins and two tents intervene between them. If you want to be immediately adjoining, apparently the only arrangement would be for you to take the two cabins on the south side of the street, just adjoining the Roman's Lodge. These are very comfortable cabins, I think. Mrs. Sherman and Margaret had one of them one Summer. They are not quite as new as the cabins on the opposite side of the street, but they have some advantages. All the cabins are very close together,- only from ten to thirty feet separating them.

I hope that Katherine came through her operation all right and that you and your mother and Gaylord are all well. We are all very well at home, and send much love.

Your sincere friend.

F.

May 18th, 1917.

Mrs. Lewis,
[illegible] Willow Street,
[illegible]ristown, Penna.

Dear Mrs. Lewis:

In making our plans for Camp Diamond this Summer, we have been hoping that matters might be arranged that for the month of August when we shall be there, we might have the Swartz cabin. Mr. Coleman writes from Jerusalem to say that if we desire this, we should write to you and ask you to arrange for it with the Swartz family by giving them our cabin. My impression is, however, that Judge Swartz and his family prefer to go up early in the Summer and I know that both Summers that we have been there, they had left before the first of August. If this is their plan this Summer, it would be perfectly possible for them to occupy the cabin as usual and for us to take it when they leave. Will you ask them whether this will be perfectly convenient for them. With our three little children Mrs. Spaar feels that we could scarcely get along with our old cabin but would have to have one with three rooms in it and that is the most convenient one, and it is not on a hillside as the other three room cabins are. I am sorry to have to trouble you and hope that the suggestion I have made will fit in with the plans of Judge Swartz and his family.

Very sincerely yours,

May 10th ,1903.

Mr. H. G. Buehler,

Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Mr. Buehler:

Your delightful letter of yesterday is just received,and I write at once to thank you with all my heart for it and with the spirit which suggested it. I count my little visits to Hotchkiss and the meetings with you and Mr. Coy and the other friends among the best experiences of the year. I have a real love for the school and real friendship for you and Mrs. Buehler. I do rejoice if what I have said to the boys has found lodgment in their own convictions and character,and I should not want to give up, for a great deal the privilege of having this parish among the boys at Hotchkiss, Lawrenceville and the Hill School. For yourself, I can only say that I rejoice to know you and to be your friend.

With warm regards to Mrs. Buehler,

Very cordially yours,

L.

May 19th,1903.

Mr. George L. Leonard,
3 West 29th Street,
New York City.

My dear Leonard:

The address to which you refer has not been printed,and I have no report of it. I cannot say whether it will ever be printed or not. If any more inquiries come to you regarding it, direct the inquirers to Bushnell's sermon on "The Gospel of the Face", which is a far greater thing than any feeble address of mine.

Very cordially yours,

May 19th, 1903.

Mr. H. W. Hicks,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Hicks;

Thank you very much for your good letter of May 18th. I have finished the manuscript of the Memoir of Pitkin, but it will have to undergo thorough revision, some things being cut out and others inserted. I am very much obliged to you for your kindness in conferring with Dr. Smith about the character of Pitkin's missionary work and shall mold the last chapters of the book so as to make them include or conform to whatever Dr. Smith may write.

Very cordially yours,

May 19th, 1903.

Miss Margaret Hillis Shearman,
1600 West 7th Street,
Wilmington, Del.

My dear Margaret:

We have no women missionaries home from Africa or the Philippines whom I could suggest as available as missionary guests for Silver Bay. We have a capital woman home from India Miss A. A. Brown, whose address is 20 Avon Avenue, Newark, N. J. Miss Sarah Gardner from Japan, who is a teacher in our best Girl's School is at home and will probably be part of the summer at Clifton Springs. Her address is care of Dr. Miriam Gardner, Clifton Springs, N. Y. We have no one, I think, home from Syria, but Miss Caroline Holmes was for some years one of our missionaries there, and is connected with Dr. White in his Bible work here, and I think she might be a very effective woman to have at the Conference. If later any other names occur to me, or if some good missionaries come home who are not now here, I shall be glad to let you know.

Everybody is very well at home. Emma was to be allowed to sit up in a chair to-day.

With much love to mother Susie,

Your sincere friend,

May 18th, 1903.

Miss Caroline A. Lyman,
341 Laurel Street,
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Miss Lyman:

Your kind note in behalf of the Central Committee is received. I am very much obliged to you for your cordial words. It was only a pleasure to be able to speak at the meeting which your Committee worked up with such splendid success.

Very sincerely yours,

May 20th, 1905.

The Rev. J. J. Coale,

East Pilar, New Jersey.

My Dear Mr. Coale:-

Your kind note of Monday is just received. I am afraid it will not be possible with the material at hand to make up the kind of sketch that ought to be prepared. And if it cannot be done really well, I think it better not to attempt it at all. Isaac lived a useful life, short though it was; and it has left a better memorial in the memory of those who knew him, than could be put in any short story in type.

Very cordially yours,

May 20,1903.

The Rev. Wm. Ashmore, D.D.

[illegible]

My dear Doctor Ashmore;

I just received several little papers of yours and [illegible] obliged to you indeed, for now and then sending them.

If you have not seen the enclosed paper by Dr. Hoecker of [illegible] I send you [illegible] and a number of copies of it to send to friends. [illegible] of the best thinking scholars in the country and the readers, [illegible] way of what is [illegible] in the opinion of [illegible] ly equipment.

I suppose that your [illegible] still active in it work and trust you may be long spared to continue your good and useful work.

With kind regards,

Very [illegible] yours,

May 21, 1908.

Miss Evelyn Weistling,
Huntingdon, Penna.

Dear Miss Weistling:

I have received notice of the Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association of the High School. I am sorry I cannot be present. I have pleasure in enclosing herewith, however, my yearly dues. I notice you still have my address on the lists of the Association as in Elizabeth. Will you please change it to 156- Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.

May 21,1903.

The Rev. S. J. McPherson, D. D.,

Lawrenceville, New Jersey.

My dear Dr. McPherson:

I have to speak in Newark to-morrow afternoon, and I am not sure just what train I shall be able to catch. I shall try to get the Princeton Special, if I can, and take the first trolley from Princeton after the arrival of the Special. If I miss that I shall go down on the first train afterwards, which I think would get me to Princeton at 6:33, or Trenton at 6:31. I suppose it would be quicker to go by way of Princeton in that case. I shall try, however, to get the Princeton Special.

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer.

May 21,1903.

Mrs. Horace Tracy Pitkin,
30 West 51st Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Pitkin:

I saw Mr. Bronson yesterday and he told me of your arrival in the city and that you would be at Dr. Brown's probably until June 2d,and that some time next week you could probably see me. I have, as perhaps I told you, completed the first draft of the Memoir,and I have five chapters of it written out on the typewriter;the other four chapters are not yet written out. I have not been able to revise these chapters carefully,and perhaps it might be as well to leave them just as they are,until we can go over them together. I have erred on the side of putting in too much, as it will be very much easier to cut out than to add to. I shall have to re-write part of the first chapter, in view of the valuable information provided in the Pitkin Ancestry Book, which I received a few days ago, but did not have when I wrote the first chapter.

I hope your stay at Dr. Brown's may make you thoroughly well and strong.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

F.

May 21,1903.

Mrs. Emily Row,
51 Norfolk Street,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Row:

Your kind note of May 20th is just received. I do not know that there are any other people in the country who know of Mr. Bowen's proposal to your sister, and I, of course, would not think of making mention of it in print.

If some time I can arrange to come to see you while in Boston, I shall take advantage of your kind willingness to tell me what you remember about Mr. Bowen. I wish it might be possible for you, however, to write down some time some of your recollections and impressions of him.

I do not think that any of his family are still living.

Very sincerely yours,

May 21,1903.

The Rev. D. R. Lowland,
641 South 13th Street,
Lincoln, Nebr.

My dear Dean:

I write at once on the receipt of the invitation to your wedding to send my most hearty congratulations. I hope that you and Miss Walsh may have a long and glorious life together, full of the best and richest service.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

Robert Taylor

May 21,1903.

Mrs. Guy W. Hamilton,
624 Second Street,
Madison, Indiana.

My dear Mrs. Hamilton:

I have just written a note to Dr. Hamilton for you both,but must add a word in special reply to your good letter. I do not wonder at the depth of meaning that your heart finds in your little daughter's death,and I am sure that out of this sorrow there will come, as you already begin to feel, a greater measure of joy and peace in the service of Him who now has in His present keeping your little Edith.

With many prayers for you both and the assurance of our abiding sympathy and interest, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Robert E. Speer

May 21,1903

Dr. Guy W. Hamilton,
624 Second Street,
Madison, Indiana.

My dear Dr. Hamilton:

I have just received the letters from you and Mrs. Hamilton, telling of the passing on into life of your little Keith. Our hearts go out to you both in deepest sympathy in this great sorrow. I can well understand what a transforming spiritual experience it has been to you both, and what a sacredness it must have brought into your lives. We shall remember you to-day in our noon day prayers, and shall be confident that though God has taken so much away from you in this way, he will be giving you back even more in return.

I hope you will let us know of your new life when you get settled in Panama, and I trust that God may give both of you health and strength for your work and perfect guidance as to future duty.

I enclose a little note to Mrs. Hamilton, in answer to her letter.

With warm regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.

May 21, 1920.

Mr. Louis Hiob.

Montclair, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Heib:

I am glad to know that you are going to be able to go off [illegible] I met Mr. Anderson on the ferry this morning and was talking with him over the best route. If you are going up from New York by rail, I think the best thing you can do will be to spend a night at Lancaster. Very possibly, the time-tables may change the first [illegible] make more about this by seeing [illegible] The time tables that are now in force, however, indicate the best route for you. If you want to go by rail, is to leave New York from the Grand Central Station at [illegible] the morning, reaching Lancaster at [illegible] in the evening. [illegible] the following morning there and [illegible] the [illegible] Central [illegible] 1.2[illegible] arriving at Colebrook at 2.40 .

If you go by the Fall River Line, you can leave Boston at [illegible] in the morning, reaching Lancaster at 5.30 [illegible] afternoon. Leave Lancaster at 6.30 and arrive at Colebrook at 7.50 the same evening.

[illegible] and take you right out to the camp that [illegible] the train at [illegible] and [illegible] the next morning, which would probably be easier for Mrs. Hiob and the children.

There are very comfortable hotels, both at Lancaster and [illegible] I know [illegible] the name. The one at Lancaster, however, is [illegible] about the middle of the town. Just ask for the best hotel and you can't miss it. There are two hotels at Colebrook; the one I [illegible] is at the south end of the town. I think either of them would be quite comfortable.

Mr. L. Hieb, pp. 1.

If you take the Exeter route, you do not need to go to Portland. In the summer-time the trains run via Intervale Junction and in the Winter, they run via Nashua Junction and to Plymouth.

I don't know whether the summer excursion rates will be on by the first of June or not. It would be well for you to find out — as there is a saving of some dollars to buy round trip tickets, but it would also be well to bear in mind that you have to come back by the same route that you go.

Please remember also that the schedules I have given you are for this month and there may be a change next month, although, as a rule, I think changes do not take place until the middle of June.

The nearest Doctor is at Colebrook, about ten miles from the Camp. There is telephone connection, however, between the Camp and Colebrook. We hope that later, there will be a doctor in the Camp.

I have never staid at Pabyans and I don't know what hotel open there as early in the season as this. If you decide to spend the night there, I would advise you to drop a note to the Postmaster and ask him what hotel there is open there now.

I am glad to know that the children are so much better and am sure that this will be just the place for them and Mrs. Hieb and for you.

Very cordially yours,

Rob. T. Jones,

May [illegible]

Miss Elizabeth Wilson,

1701 Chamberlain Bldg.,

[illegible] Grand Avenue,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Miss Wilson:

Your note of May [illegible]th, with the enclosed reports of the Saturday and Sunday evening addresses, has been received. I shall review them as soon as I can and return them to you.

I am sorry I shall miss seeing you at any of the [illegible] conferences but hope that you may have a good time at Geneva.

Very cordially yours,

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Nov 22, 1905.

Miss Frances H. Thompson,

Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.

My dear Miss Thompson:

I wish I could accept your kind invitation for October 4th, but I have an invitation to spend that Sunday at Amherst, which I should like to accept and think I can. I have for my excuse for not being able to answer definitely sooner, that I shall be away for a good part of October, coming in competition with the Synod meetings in this book. In any event, either the Synods or another engagement will prevent my having the pleasure of accepting your kind invitation to be present at Miss Fairbank's farewell meeting.

Thanking you and Miss Masters for your invitation,

I am,

Very cordially yours,

Frances Wilson.

May 23rd, 1903.

Mrs. Mary W. Lewis,
1201 Willow Street,
Norristown, Penna.

My Dear Mrs. Lewis:-

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. According to our present plans, we shall be up at the Camp only for the month of August. If I find that Mrs. Speer and the children will want to come up earlier, I shall let you know as soon as possible. I envy you and Mrs. Dillingher your long stay at the Camp. I wish we could be up for all of July and August.

Very sincerely yours,

May 28,1903.

Miss Louise Holmquist,

176 W.37th St.,

City.

My dear Miss Holmquist:

I was in Lawrenceville yesterday and I saw Mr.Savage, who told me he expects to be in the city on Saturday, June 6th. He has one boy picked out but he wants two, which I think I told you. He is interested in what I told him about your brother and wants to see him. Would you be free on the afternoon of June 6th, so that you could take your brother to see him? If you should be free, I shall be glad to let him know and arrange for some meeting-place.

Very cordially yours,

Helen Taylor.

May 25,1903.

Dr. David Bovaird Jr.,

126 West 58th St.,

City.

My dear David:

I believe that Royce has consulted you with reference to the hearing [illegible] family over the question of the proper course of his contemplated appointment as missionary. The record which we have shows the death in both father and grandfather from phthisis, due to heredity. The father died at the age of fifty-two and the grandfather at the age of forty-five. He has asked us whether we could let his book if these facts would prevent his acceptance by the Board. What is your judgment?

You will be interested to hear that we have not another little daughter in our home, born on the Fifth. She and her mother are both remarkably well. Sometime next month, Mrs. Speer wants us to bring our little girl, Margaret, who is two and a half, here over for an operation for adenoids and enlarged tonsils. Two families among our friends in Englewood, recently brought two of their children in for a similar operation. Dr. Holt operated on one case, giving anesthetics in one of the hospitals; and Dr. Chaunsey in the other case, who operated without anesthetics. The family who went to Dr. Chaunsey were much better satisfied, feeling that it was wiser to have gone to a specialist in throat operations, rather than to have gone to a children's specialist. Mrs. Speer wanted to have you your opinion.

I was at Lawrenceville yesterday and had a very good time. Now while a lot of our old boys. He is feeling keenly the death of his wife and is preparing now to take care of his boys until his home is like with him and do for himself that, he needs to be the way of his own. He is

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[illegible] to take a piece of [illegible] and to [illegible] from [illegible]. I am afraid we will have to stop thinking on subject of the heart.

Very affectionately yours,

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May 27th, 1903.

Mrs. H. C. Colver,

41 East 22nd Street,

New York City.

My Dear Mrs. Colver:-

Your note of yesterday, with enclosures, is just received. I am very much obliged for them, and shall be very happy indeed if I can be of any service at all to you.

Very sincerely yours,

May 28th, 1903.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1331 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Charlie:-

I enclose herewith Young People's Topics Column for June 28th. I hope shortly to send you all the other copy up to the end of September.

Very affectionately yours,

May 25,1903.

[illegible] Esq.,

C/o T.K.Simclair & Co.Ltd.,

Davenport, Ia.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry to have to say that I do not know enough about the [illegible] geneology to be able to answer your question about the [illegible] [illegible]. I am writing however, to Mr. [illegible] Queen of [illegible] [illegible], N.Y. City, asking him whether he can furnish the information you desire. If he cannot answer, I shall make inquiries in other directions and if I hear anything satisfactory, I shall let you know.

Very truly yours,

May 28th, 1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

Please forgive me for not having thought of the photograph of Marshall Newell. I am sending by this mail, a little Memorial, which belongs to Mrs. Meigs, of Pottstown, Penna., in which there are two pictures of Newell. I think the foot-ball picture is a little the better of the two. The other is so heavy and burly. Will you please return the book to Mrs. Meigs instead of to me?

Very affectionately yours,

May 25,1905.

Mr. James Spears,

C/o McCutcheon & Co.,

City.

My dear Mr. Spears:

Can you give any information in reply to the enclosed inquiry? Is there in Spear genealogy tree? I have had so many questions the last year or two on the subject that I really am beginning to get interested. If we have the ancestral tree worked out, ought we not co-operate a bit to get it? Judge Henry Spear of Georgia once wrote to me that he had one and would send me a copy, but he forgot to do it and when I subsequently wrote, reminding him, I received no reply.

Very cordially yours,

May 27,1903.

Mr. C. M. Zetill,

Lakeville, Ct.

My dear Mr. Zetill:

Your kind note is just received. I am looking forward with pleasure to coming up on Saturday. Mrs. Swoor, I am sorry to say, will not be able to come up with me this time, but she will look forward to coming on another time in the future. I shall hope to come up on the train leaving New York at 7.20, although it is very possible that I may be detained until the 8.45. If the later, I can arrange to drive over from Lillarton, but I shall fully expect to catch the earlier train.

Very cordially yours,

F. A.

May 27,1905.

Mrs. E. T. Rhoden,

636 Ridge St.,

Lemars, Ia.

My dear Mrs.Rhoden:

I told Dr.Vanderlook, when he expressed his wonder at the fact of your not being at the meeting on Saturday afternoon, that the reason was that you were not well. I am sorry to know that I was right, but am glad your headache is quite gone now. It was nice, however, to be in the neighborhood of your home , and I wished I might have stopped in and seen the family, but I hurried away from the meeting in order to catch the train to Princeton, where I had to catch the ferry to Lawrenceville, in order to spend Sunday there.

With warm regards to you Both,

Very cordially yours,

May29,1903.

Mrs. Charles E. Reed,

Huntingdon, Pa.

My dear Margaret:

I will meet Emily on June 9th when the Atlantic comes in. Tell her to have her trunk checked to Huntingdon to 23rd St. New York and tell her to take the 23rd St. Ferry from the Jersey City station and when she gets off the boat on the New York side, to follow the crowd down the [illegible] to the General Exit, and I will meet her there.

I hope that package of the children of my brain in the ancient past may sometime turn up! There is an Essay on Dante Gabriel Rossetti and there are other essays, which I should be sorry to lose. Some of them were on literature and some on politics.

I am glad to hear of the visit to Mount Union and that young Charles survived it!

With much love to all,

Your affectionate brother,

May 28th, 1903.

Mr. James S. Rogers,
605 Real Estate Trust Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Mr. Rogers:-

I have been writing a series of sketches on Young Men, for a Sunday school paper issued by our Board of Publication, and used also in the Congregational Sunday schools. I should like to write one article in this series on Courtlandt Hodge, if I could get together enough material of the right sort. I wrote to his father about the matter, and he said he would have no objection to my doing so, and spoke of an address which you gave at the unveiling of the tablet in Princeton. Dr. Hodge wrote from Los Angeles, stating that you had sent him a copy of the address, and suggesting that I might procure the original manuscript from you. Would you be willing to let me have it? and can you tell me of any other source of information that would contain incidents that I could use? or do you know of any good letters of Hodge's that would be useful? What I have been trying to do in these articles is to set forth the lives of young men who had the real qualities of manliness in them, and who demonstrated in their own lives that the best thing in the world is to be a man of Christian principle and character.

Very sincerely yours,

May 27th, 1903.

The Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Hodge:-

Your kind note of May 22nd, from Los Angeles, is just received. It is not worth while writing to Los Angeles to you now, as you will have left there I suppose before a letter could reach you, so I send this to Philadelphia. I am very much obliged to you for your permission to write a little sketch of Courtlandt in the series in Forward. I have written to Mr. Rogers, asking him for the original manuscript of his address, and also for any other material of which he may know.

If, when you get back, there is anything that you would be willing to let me use that you could send without inconvenience, I should be very much obliged.

Thank you heartily for your congratulations over Eleanor's coming. I wonder how you heard it. Mrs. Speer will be very glad to have your message of congratulations. She herself remembers her meeting you with special pleasure, and I am,

Always with warm regards,

Very affectionately yours,

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May 27th, 1905.

Professor W. W. White,
1036 Sixth Avenue,
New York City.

My Dear Dr. White:-

Your note of the 25th has been received. I shall be very glad to give at least one lecture in the special course which you want to have some time next year. I am glad to hear of the course that Mr. Beach is going to give, and trust from the fact that he has this material in shape, that he is going to get up a little book on that subject.

Very cordially yours,

May 27th, 1903.

Mr. John W. Wood,

281 Fourth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Wood:-

An acquaintance of mine is interested in Mr. Walter M. Hall, who has charge of the music at two of your churches, St. James, and Holy Trinity on 88th Street, I believe. This friend would like to get Mr. Hall to go to the Student Conference at Northfield this Summer, and would be glad to meet the expense of his going, and also that of Dr. Chalmers, the rector of Holy Trinity, I believe. Now this friend does not know how to work this, and I do not know that I do, but I have been wondering if you could tell me of any one who stood in such relations to Dr. Chalmers or Mr. Hall that he would feel justified in telling them that money had been put at his disposal for their going to the Students' Conference at Northfield. This person would have to be a person to whom either you or I could turn over this money my friend wants to provide. As is already evident to you, my friend desires to be sufficiently anonymous. I suppose every now and then you get roped into indirect ways of attempting to do good like this, so you will be sympathetic and tell me if there is anyone who would be the wise and kindly person at the centre of things in this affair.

I think the spring of the whole matter is that this friend believes that it would be a real refreshment and help to Mr. Hall if he could go up to this Students' gathering, and that Dr. Chalmers also would enjoy it, and might himself be able to do some good there.

Now that I am at it, might I ask another question, namely, as to what your salary provision for Bishop Brent covers in Manila? I think the salary is $3000. Does this include house rent, or is that extra, and are there any other extra provisions? I ask because one of the questions before us is the proper amount to

May 28th, 1903.

Miss Mary Breese Fuller,

Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Fuller:-

Your good letter of the 25th is just received. The same mail brought a letter from Miss Van Kleeck, asking whether I would lead the [illegible] at Silver Bay. I wholly agree with your view, and shall write to Miss Van Kleeck, saying that I shall not make any such engagements until getting to Silver Bay.

We are all very well at home. Mrs. Speer is walking about, although she has not been down stairs yet.

Your sincere friend,

Mr. Wood's

furnish for the support of a pastor of our American Presbyterian Church there.

Very cordially yours,

May 28th, 1903.

Miss Mary A. Van Kleeck,
Tyler House,
Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Van Kleeck:-

Your note of the 24th is just received. I understand that the people having in charge the Silver Bay Conference, prefer that the speakers should not make appointments for Delegation Meetings until after the Conference begins. They feel, and I think rightly, that it would be much better if more attention was given to the smaller delegations, which are not likely to think of writing in advance to arrange for their delegation meetings. It seems to me there ought to be, and I think there is to be this year, some arrangement for harmonizing the plans for the delegation meetings, so that as many of them as possible may be reached, and the smaller ones not overlooked. If the Committee having the matter in charge arrange for my going to one of your delegation meetings, and my other work will permit of it, I shall be only too happy to come.

Thank you very much for your invitation for next year. It is a little too soon yet to say whether it will be possible to spend a Sunday at Smith. I may be able to combine it with meetings at Amherst. I shall know, doubtless, by the time I come to Silver Bay, and can tell you then whether it will be possible for me to come.

Very sincerely yours,

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[illegible] Feb.[illegible].

Mr. Frederick Cameron,

[illegible] Road,

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[illegible],

[illegible].

Dear Sir:

I am very grateful for your kind letter of Feb.19th. with reference to the late George Bowen. I should like to get a copy of the Bulletin Record for 1888, of which you speak. If you could procure a copy for me, I shall be very much obliged. The reminiscences which you say it contains are just such material as I am seeking. Could you let find time to write some fully your recollections of Mr.Bowen; any incidents in his life in Bombay and any illustrations of his methods and influence. And I shall especially be grateful for copies of any letters of his which you may have or be able to get permission to have copied. I have the files of the "Bombay Guardian" from 1876-1890. In these appear the personal reminiscences of Mr.Bowen; but, if not all of which, ought to be embodied in the biography, but these should be supplemented by the personal reminiscences of those who knew Mr.Bowen had by his correspondence, and by estimates of his character and influence and of his life by those who were in a position to observe both.

I shall be very much obliged for whatever help you can give, or procure from others who knew Mr.Bowen.

Very sincerely yours,

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May 29,1905.

The Rev. J. Murray Mitchell, LL.D.

U.F. Church Offices,

The Mound,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

Dear Sir:

At the request of some of the friends of the late George Bowen of Bombay, I have undertaken to gather the materials for a biography and if the available materials justify, to prepare a volume of his life and letters. I have a great deal of material already, including the files of the "Bombay Guardian" , containing his personal reminiscences, but I am anxious to get copies of any letters of Mr.Bowen that may be in existence, and also to secure from those who know him intimately and whose judgement would be of such great value as yours would be, their estimates of Bowen, [illegible] and life.

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Very sincerely yours,

May 29,19 03.

Mr.H. Mody,

Reay House,

Apollo Bunder,

Bombay, India.

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Very sincerely yours,

May 30, 1937.

Lieutenant-Colonel C.E.Oldham,

3 Kensington Park Row,

London, W. England.

Dear Sir:

I was very glad to receive sometime ago your kind note with reference to the late George Bowen. I was also very glad to have your helpful suggestions and answering to Dr.Mitchell, Mr.[illegible] and Mr.[illegible] as you suggest. I have the files of the "Bombay Guardian" from [illegible] to 1880. I have not yet made a careful study of these, but of course I do so in preparation of the biography. The personal reminiscences of which you speak begin in the issue of the "Bombay Guardian" for January [illegible] so that the volumes which I have will contain them all. I hope to be able to get, however, all the volumes of the paper that were issued under Bowen's editorship, so as to have as full a collection as possible of his expressions of opinion. I have also got "Daily Meditations"; "Love Revealed" and "The Ameena of Christianity" and numerous other publications of Bowen's, including the romance which he wrote, entitled "The Pupil of Raphael", before he went out to India. Could you not, sometime, make notes of your personal recollections of Mr.Bowen, together with any conversations you may have had with him, and also write out your general estimate of his character and influence. Those who knew him are fast passing away and I am very anxious to get from those who were in such relationships to him as you enjoyed, and whose judgements would be of [illegible] as possible.

I have had the pleasure of knowing both of your sons, I think. H.A.Oldham I remember very well and I think I met your older son at Keswick in [illegible]

May 29th,1903.

Mr.Franz Speman,

14 Wilhelmsplatz,

Cross Lichterfelde,

Germany.

Dear Mr. Speman:

It has been a long time since I got your kind letter, enclosing your photograph. It is a great pleasure to hear from you and I wish I had had the great privilege Mr.Kott had in the way of meeting you in the Universities on the continent, which are interested in missions and in Christian service, but I have never been at any of the continental meetings. I met a good men of the men, however, from Scandanavia, Germany, France and Switzerland at the last Student Volunteer Convention in London and wish I could hope to be at the next conference in Edinburgh next January, to meet the men who will be there.

Mr.Kott has been in Australia the last few months, but is on his way home now and will be here in time for the Summer Student Conference which begins next month.

I am sorry I have no photograph here that I can send in response to your cordial suggestion, but I shall hope to meet you sometime, either in your own country or here in ours, or out on the mission field.

With best wishes for God's blessing in your life work, I am

Very cordially yours,

May 28th, 1903.

Mr. Fletcher S. Brockman,
29 Kiangsi Road,
Shanghai, China.

My Dear Brockman:-

When your good long letter of April 27th came yesterday, my heart was smitten at the thought that you had had to use all your time and strength in such a long letter of explanation of past things, when you might have given that strength to things yet to be done. You did not need to make any explanation. I would as soon think of misunderstanding the sun as you. It was easy to see how with so many different parties involved there was sure to be some slips or misunderstandings. One always allows for those in dealing with problems, just as he does for a certain range of error whenever persons enter and he is dealing with things that are living, and not dead.

I will file your letter with all the papers on this question in a folder, so that any who refer to it in the future may have the whole thing clearly before them.

I suppose that Dr. Hays is going on with the Theological Class. I showed my letter to him to Mr. Anderson, and he thought it was perfectly fair, and that they could not have asked anything more. It left the matter for Dr. Hayes' own judgment and conscientious decision, with the facts and views of others all clearly stated. How he has decided, I do not know. Possibly he has mentioned the matter in some letter to Dr. Brown, of which Dr. Brown has not yet spoken. He is away from the city to-day, and will not be back in the offices until next week.

I was greatly interested in what you write at the close of your letter, in regard to the change that has passed over China in the last six years. Our people have kept us pretty well informed, and Williams has written us some admirable letters from Nanking, regarding the conditions there. Mr. Fitch has written equally

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good letters from Hinghe. I am greatly interested in his new school there, and also in the opening for work among the literati in Nanking. We have tried earnestly to get good men to do that work so far as it can be done in connection with our Mission, but thus far have not been able to send anyone. There is an admirable man here, though, who would like to take up that work next year, and I have encouraged him in every way to look forward to doing so.

I enclose herewith a copy of a paper which Dr. Beecher of Auburn Seminary, wrote, which you may be able to make use of. Dr. Beecher is one of the best Hebrew scholars in the country, so that the position which he has taken in this paper has all the more authority on that account. We need badly a propaganda of sensible views on the conservative and positive side. The other people have had altogether too free a field, and there has been a good deal of a scramble of a new movement with them; with the consequence that the dear old Bible has had an unnecessary amount of hard raps, and some people seem actually inclined to think that if you see it in the Bible, the chances are it isn't so. I have been hoping that with the immense legacy which Princeton Seminary has got, of about one and a half millions of dollars or more of money, she would be willing, as she would be able, to take the leading part in a great propaganda of positive religious conviction. I would like to see Dr. Patton, instead of being made President, made an itinerant theological lecturer, to go around the country crossing swords with all the agnostics and atheists he could find. What evangelical religion needs now is to assume aggressive work not alone in evangelistic work in the churches, but out in the world, meeting indifferentism and infidelity and mere materialism on its own ground, and tearing off those coverings from the real hearts of men, which need to-day, as they have always needed, the grace of the Saviour and the love of the Father God.

I rejoice with many in the work that you are doing in China, and pray for God's continued blessing upon it.

With warm regards.

Affectionately yours, [illegible]

May 28th, 1903.

Mr. L. D. Wishard,

290 Broadway, N. Y. City.

My Dear Martin:-

Did you succeed in raising the entire amount of Janeway's salary? Or is there still some balance unprovided? If there is, why don't you insure Andrew Carnegie, and use the commission to provide for the secretaryship for the next five years? If this idea strike you favorably, I shall be glad to give you a note to Mr. Carnegie.

Very affectionately yours,

May 27th, 1903.

To the Salvation Army,

120 West 14th Street, N. Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith my check for five dollars, covering the annual subscription fee to the Auxiliary League.

Very sincerely yours,

May 29th, 1903.

Mr. F. P. Turner,

5 West 29th Street,

New York City.

My Dear Turner:-

I have written a commendatory note to Mr. Beach's Geography and Atlas, for the Assembly Herald, and will send a duplicate copy of it to The Record of Christian Work for publication there.

You ask for any errors that may be discovered. I have not thus far found any. I notice, however, that on page nine, there are only five Women's Boards mentioned under our Board. There are really seven. In addition to the five which you have down, there are the Woman's Occidental Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Presbyterian Foreign Missionary Society, Northern New York. The latter of these is quite small, but not much smaller than the Northern Pacific Board.

Very cordially yours,

June 2nd, 1908.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Dr. Miller;

Thank you very much for your note enclosing Mr. Gregory's letter. I know Mr. Gregory quite well and shall be glad to write to him.

I enclose herewith another installment of Notes and Editorials for "Forward". There are two long ones that I think are about the right length.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

June 24,1903.

Mr. W. G. George,

Lawrenceville, N. J.

My dear George:

On coming back from Lawrenceville, I wrote to Miss Reinquist, asking whether she could take her brother to see you when you are in New York next Saturday. I have just received from her the enclosed note. I am sorry she can't go herself to meet you. If you want my sister and the boy to come to see you, will you send them a note directly, telling them when and where.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

June 3d,1903.

Miss A. M. Spring,
"The Osborne",
57th St. & 7th Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Miss Spring:

Your good letter of May 31st was received yesterday. I have just heard from Mr. Wood to whom I had written regarding the matter of which we talked. I enclose his letter herewith. Shall I ask Mr. Wood to try to arrange matters? I think I would trust him as thoroughly as anyone.

With reference to the Summer Camp, of which Dr. White spoke, I am very glad to give you information. It is north of the White Mountains, near the Canadian border. The railroad station is Colebrook. From there it is a twelve mile drive to the camp, which is made up of a few tents and a number of very comfortable cabins, some half log, with fresh wood trimmings and others weather boarded. There is a large common dining room and living room. The Camp belongs to a friend of mine, and there is just enough control kept over it to make sure that congenial people gather in it, but there is no exclusiveness about it as there would be about a club camp. The rates are $10 a week, which covers everything except livery and laundry, and a boat if one wants it on the lakes. One can leave New York at nine o'clock in the morning and be at Colebrook at ten o'clock at night, driving out to the Camp the same night or staying at Colebrook at a comfortable little hotel there until the following morning. I think the Camp is going to be pretty full this Summer, so if you and your mother think of going, it might be well to write at once to Mr. Her-

bert Little, Diamond Pond, N. H.

It is always a pleasure to see you and to be of any assistance in your interests in others.

Very cordially yours,

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June 3d, 1903.

Mr. W. R. Moody.
East Northfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Moody:

Your note informing me of the meetings of the corporators and trustees of the Mount Hermon Boys' School is received. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to be present. Our Board meets on the afternoon of June 15th, and we are holding at that time also our Annual Conference with new missionaries, so that I cannot leave the city.

Very sincerely yours,

June 3d,1903.

Mr. H. Preserved Smith,
418 West 118th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Am I too late in inviting you to come to lunch some day: I hope that you have not got out of the city again. If you have, are you likely to be here any time soon? I shall be here all of next week and it will be a great pleasure if you are in the city and could be down here about noon, if we could go out to lunch together. Many times during the year I have thought of you and hoped to meet you, but I am going and coming constantly and it is almost impossible to get anything done, except what presses immediately in the way of one's direct work. The pleasures of life get crowded into a very small place, except as they are identical with the work of life.

Very cordially yours,

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Mr. Lambert Bridges,
Clifton Springs, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Bridges:

I enclose herewith an article on "The Bible
and World", which may fit in with Dr. Fox's article.

Very cordially yours,

Thank you for your note to

[illegible]

Mr. J. G. Estill,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Estill:

Thank you very much for your good letter which came yesterday. I am more than grateful if what I said to the boys took hold of them, and has helped you in the discipline of the School. It was very good of you to write as you did about it, and it is better than I can tell you, to have the chance of getting to the School now and then and seeing you, to whom I have come to feel as a friend of old times.

With warm regards [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

June 8th, 1903.

The Rev. S. J. McPherson, D. D.,
Lawrenceville, New Jersey.

My dear Dr. McPherson:

Your kind note of the 2nd was received yesterday, with its enclosed check.

I shall be glad to let you know as soon as possible what free Sundays I can come next year. I shall hope to have my schedule worked out enough within a few weeks to be able to let you know.

It was a great pleasure to have that Sunday in your family, and with warm regards to Mrs. McPherson and all, I am,

Very cordially yours,

June 8th, 1905.

The Rev. William Spear, D. D.,

Washington, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Spear:-

I have received the enclosed inquiry regarding our ancestors. Can you give me any help?

Is there a Spear family tree? If not, ought we not to have one made up? Judge Emory Spear of Georgia, wrote me once that he had one, and would send me a copy of it. He failed to do it, and when sometime later I wrote about it, I had no reply.

I hope that you are very well, and with kind regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

June 6th, 1903.

The Rev. W. J. Gregory,

Mansfield, Penna.

My Dear Mr. Gregory:-

Dr. Miller has forwarded to me your kind note of May 29th., about the dead young men who were good, about whom I am writing in Forward. I am sorry that they are dead too, and yet I am thankful they are, or I would be. I do not know on what ground you want to get me into such trouble. The young men who are the sort I want to write about, would look me up with deadly clubs if I wrote such articles about them while they were still alive. The young men who would like to have such articles written about them while they are still alive, are the sort that I have no interest in. I think, accordingly, we will have to stick to the dead ones. I know scores of the same sort who are still living. But they are not the kind who make Douglas Shoes, or Mennen's Borated Talcum Powder, or Beeman's Pepsin Gum. Doubtless these are all estimable gentlemen; but I am not contributing to their self-satisfaction by articles in Forward.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

June 2nd, 1903.

The Rev. Henry C. Dwight, D. D.,
Bible House,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Dwight:

I enclose herewith the article on "The Aim of Christian Missions" for the Encyclopaedia. I shall hope to let you have the other one you propose some time this Summer.

Very cordially yours,

Enc.

June 5, 1907.

Mr. A. H. Williams, Jr.

5 West 29th Street,

City.

My dear Williams:

Your letter about Lakeside is received. The schedule that Mr. Andersen furnished me sometime ago indicates that I can leave Chicago at 10/30 on the morning of June 26th., reaching Lakeside at 6.41 the same evening. I shall look forward, accordingly, to coming on that train.

Thank you very much for letting me know what you expected of me.

Very cordially yours,

June 3,1901.

Miss Harriet Taylor,

1311 Champlain Building,

126 State Street,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Miss Taylor;

Your kind letter of Saturday is just received. I expect to reach Asheville on Friday, June 14th. at 1.30. Whatever arrangement you and Mr.Andersen make as to the disposition of my time will be, of course, altogether satisfactory to me. I am just writing to him about my schedule and that you expect me Friday afternoon and Monday evening. You mention Monday evening also, but I wonder if that is not a mistake for Monday morning, as I leave Asheville at 2.45 Monday afternoon.

Very cordially yours,

June 6, 1903.

Mr. H. P. Andersen,

3 West 29th Street,

City.

My dear Mr. Andersen:

Miss Taylor writes that they are expecting me at the Young Women's Convention at Asheville, Friday afternoon, Sunday evening and Monday evening. I think the last is a mistake for Monday morning, as I expect to leave Asheville on Monday afternoon.

I have told her that whatever distribution of the time you and she make will be altogether satisfactory to me.

You told me - did you not - of a scheme of getting from Chicago to Lake Geneva in the afternoon? I shall reach Chicago, of course on Tuesday afternoon, the 23rd. How can I get from there out to Lake Geneva that evening?

Williams writes, asking when I shall get to Lakeville. I am writing to him on the assumption that the schedule you furnished me is still good - that I shall leave Chicago at 10.30 on the morning of June 26th., reaching Lakeside at 6.41 the same evening.

Very cordially yours,

June 8, 1907.

Mr. Morris Sachs,

New York Juvenile Asylum,

New York City.

Dear Captain Sachs:

The letter signed by you and Captains [illegible] and [illegible]ly, inviting me to witness the final game of Baseball played in the Contest for the Challenge Cup of the Asylum is just received. I would come with pleasure, if I could, but have another engagement which I am afraid will keep me away. I am very much obliged to you and the other Captains for the invitation, and if you have another Contest next year, I will try to [illegible] them.

Very cordially yours,

June 8,1903.

Mr. Arthur Tyng,

Phillips Brooks House,

Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Tyng:

I would suggest the following as good books for the working library for Sunday School teachers and Bible Class leaders:

Edersheim's "Life and Times of Jesus, the Messiah"
Forrest's "The Christ of History and Experience"
Hilprecht's "Explorations in Bible Lands" in the 19th Century"
G.A. Smith's "Historical Geography of the Holy Land"
Hastings' "Bible Dictionary"
Clarke's "Outline of Christian [illegible] Theology"
Fairbairn's "Philosophy of the Christian Religion"
" "The Place of Christ in Modern Theology"
Bruce's "The Training of the Twelve"
Westcott's "The Canon of the New Testament"
" "Introduction to the Study of the Gospels"
Andrews' "Life of our Lord"
Lyndon's "Divinity of our Lord"
Stalker's "Life of Christ"
" " " Paul
" "Imago Christi"
Young's "The Christ of History"
Simpson's "The Fact of Christ"
Griffith Jones' "The Master and His Method"
Ramsay's "St.Paul, the Traveller and Roman Citizen"
Farrar's "The Church of the Roman Empire"
[illegible] "Messages of the Books"
Drummond's "The Ideal Life"
Whyte's "Bible [illegible]
Bushnell's "Sermons for the New Life"
" "Sermons of Living Subjects"
" "Nature and the Supernatural"
Trumbull's "Teachers and Teaching"
" "Individual Work for Individuals"

Very sincerely yours,

June 8,1905.

Miss Alice Varley,

R. Northfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Varley:

I enclose herewith two more book reviews.

If you could get for me from Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Goodwin's "Life of Channing", I shall be very glad to review it.

Very cordially yours,

June 8, 1928.

Mrs. Horace Tracy Pitkin,

30 West 81st. Street,

City.

My dear Mrs. Pitkin:

The seventh and about half of the eighth chapter have now been written off in typewriting, and if you are to be in the city for some days still, I think I can bring or send these two chapters also. How much longer do you expect to be here? I expect to leave next Thursday to be gone for a fortnight at some of the Summer Conferences. Until then, we have our Annual Conference for New Missionaries, but I shall try to get away from that to come to see you before you leave the city.

Very cordially yours,

June 8,1903.

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes Jr.,

Yale University,

New Haven, Ct.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

Your kind letter of June 4th. has been received. I am sorry to say that it is very unlikely that I shall be able to come to October 13th. That is the month of the Presbyterian Synods and I shall probably be in the West for a good part of that month.

I could come, I think, for November 6th., if that would be satisfactory.

Very cordially yours,

June 3,1903.

Miss A. E. Spring,

The Osborne,

57th St. & 7th Ave.,

City.

Dear Miss Spring:

Your note of June 5th is received and I have written to Mr. Wood, asking him to try to arrange matters with Mr.Chalmers and Mr.Hall. I have not told him your name so that it would seem impossible for Mr.Hall to learn of it. I shall let you know as soon as Mr.Wood tells me whether he has been able to arrange.

Very sincerely yours,

June 8, 1906.

Mr. John W. Wood,

281 Fourth Avenue,

City.

My dear Mr. Wood:

I have just heard from the friend about whom I wrote to you the other day, and I am instructed to accept your generous offer to try to arrange the matter. I think I made clear that the main purpose is to get Mr. Hall there and that it is felt that he will be more likely to go if his Doctor goes with him. Could you propose the matter to Mr. Chambers and tell him, without letting him know the origin of the contribution at all, that you have at your disposal from a friend the amount necessary to take him and Mr. Hall to Kornfield for the students' Conference, which opens on the evening of June 15th and closes the morning of July 5th. The offer covers, of course, both the outfare and entertainment at the hotel at Kornfield, which is an exceedingly comfortable hotel. If Mr. Chambers and Mr. Hall accept, I will get from the friend the amount offered, and forward it at once to you.

Very cordially yours,

June 8, 1907.

Professor John Haigh,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor:

How would the following Sundays do for next year? It is pretty hard to scheme out a whole year in advance, but as nearly as I can see now, the following might be practicable:

September 27th - October 25th - November 22nd. - December 13th. - January 17th. February 14th - March 13th - April 17th - May 8th. Does April 17th fall in your Easter vacation?

I am so glad that you and Mrs. John are going to have a good rest this Summer.

With best wishes for a pleasant voyage, I am

Affectionately yours,

June 9,1903.

~~Charley~~. Charles G. Trumbull,

1031 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charley:

I enclose herewith a package of copy for the Young Friend's Review. This includes all the meetings up to the first of October, with two exceptions, namely August 30th and September 30th. I will send you these two in a few days.

Very affectionately yours,

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June 9,1903.

Miss Florence Smith,

1409 South Broad Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Miss Smith:

I am ashamed to think that your letter has gone unanswered for nearly a fortnight, but about six weeks ago I commenced the foolish idea of answering all the letters which had accumulated and then I got about two-thirds through, as a judgement on me for my presumption, a whole avalanche came down and I am now almost as badly swamped as I was before. I think the moral of this is never to make good resolutions. If you do not make them, you are not likely to be disappointed because you do not carry them out.

As for the financial proposition of your letter, namely that I should stop sending the checks; really, I shall have to wait until Mr. Hood gets back. I am only acting Treasurer in his place and I could not think of assuming a responsibility like that in his absence. He has been out at the General Assembly and ought to be back this week.

I am so glad that you are out of the hospital at last and think that you have just been getting strong so fast that you are unable to go slower than a trot along the streets!

As for that temptation which you say has come to you and to which you would yield, if it were not for Dr. Mitchell's prohibition - your taking up work this spring - please remember that Gospel song,

"Yield not to temptation for yielding is sin".

The only way to be happy is to be truly good, not just pretend to be good. I mean the placid acquiescence in doing "nothing", when it is duty. I have never mounted to this ethereal piety myself, but it would help me if I could see you

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coming to it!

Perhaps you will have heard of the lovely daughter at home, who came on May 5th, and whose name is Eleanor. She and her father and the other children are all very well and happy. She is beginning now to move around with freedom.

With sincere regards from us all,

Your sincere friend,

June 11th, 1905.

Mr. Allan [illegible]
The [illegible]
Lafayette Place, N. Y. City.

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

I enclose herewith the impressions of the Central Assembly, for which you asked.

Very cordially yours,

June 1, 1903.

Mrs. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Moody:

I received last week your good letter from Atlantic City. [illegible] I would walk there [illegible] if it were necessary for the sake of the work. It is never any difficulty to accept invitations to Northfield or to go there. The difficulty is to accept other duty which keeps me away from Northfield. Nothing would please me more than to go to the Young Women's Conference, but I had not known that you were [illegible] I had made no arrangements to go away from New York after [illegible] I declined to promise to go to the Conference at Silver Bay [illegible] they wanted me for Sunday, July 19th. [illegible] because I did not see how I could do my work the last three weeks of July, cleaning up what would have accumulated and getting ready for the vacation in August, which I spent all the time here and refrained from going off to more conventions. In the same way, I have [illegible] declined to go to the Missionaries' Conference at Silver Bay [illegible] of July, although one of my associates went and printed my name on the list of speakers, which has been published. I suppose if he has arranged it, I may have to go, but I shall not go if I can avoid it. Thus I might name half a dozen conferences that fall in that same period in July, to which I have replied that it was simply impossible for me to go.

I want to see the Young Women's Conference at Northfield and if my coming was which I honestly say it is always impossible for me to believe, a condition of the success, I would come at whatever sacrifice.

We have our new Missionaries' Conference beginning to-morrow, until

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the 17th., when we have about sixty new missionaries [illegible] every day. On the 18th., I leave for the Students' Conference at [illegible], [illegible], Lake Mills, Silver Bay and Northfield and then back [illegible]. I felt this was as much of a round as I ought to [illegible], but if I get around it, I know that I shall be [illegible] little, I would do anything I could to save you from anxiety.

I am sorry I did not see you in Englewood and am glad that Mrs. [illegible] had that little visit from you.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

June 1, [illegible].

Mr. H. W. Fry,

Room 618,

287 Fourth Ave.,

City.

My dear Mr. Fry:

I should be very glad to write a brief article for "The Doctor" and send it to Miss Clark sometime, as you suggest, within the next four or five weeks.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

June 2, 1887.

Mr. Luther Z. Richard,

150 Fifth Ave.,

City.

Dear Sir:

I beg leave to reply to your letter of June 1st, addressed to "Mr. Speer", as the settlement of his estate has been left in my hands. He was in feeble health when he received your letter of June 5th, and the threats which you made in that letter were sufficient to overthrow his reason and destroy his life. His last words were "Tell my friend, Martin Luther that in spite of his enmity, I forgive him; and that in case he some day reaches heaven, after a long purgatorial experience, I will meet him and sing him a sweet song".

No deed immediate. If you have any claim against his estate, I will take them off your hands for a consideration.

Very truly yours,

June 13th, 1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

Might I trouble you for a copy of Forward containing the article by Dr. Stone on George Bowen? It was volume eighteen, number fifty-one.

Very affectionately yours,

June 13th, 1903.

Miss Elizabeth Wilson,
1312 Champlain Building,
Chicago, Ills.

My Dear Miss Wilson:-

I am sorry I have not been able to send you before the two addresses you sent me, but it has been impossible to get everything cleared up. I return herewith the two addresses revised.

Very sincerely yours,

June 15th, 1906.

The Rev. Geo. R. Grant,
Mount Pleasant,
West Virginia.

My Dear Mr. Grant:-

I am sorry I shall miss seeing you when you are here. I have to leave next week on the 18th, to be gone until July 6th. Dr. Hillmond also will be out of the city, but Mr. Brook and Mr. Haley and Mr. Nichol will be here.

The address of the Assembly Herald is still 156 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City, but the business is to be moved to Philadelphia.

Mr. Porter is now pastor of a church in Oxford, Ohio.

We are hoping that Dr. Alexander will find it possible to get down to the Synod.

Trusting that the Peace of God may be with you and with your people, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

June 13th, 1905.

Mr. Rempei Minami,
Care Mr. M. Higuchi,
68 East 133rd Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Rempei:-

I was glad to get your letter telling of your leaving the school and coming to New York. I hope you may get some good work such as you have been thinking of in connection with the St. John's Guild Hospital, Ship. If you do not succeed there or with Mr. Takami, let me know, and I shall be glad to give you a note to some of the people connected with the Guild who may be able to help you.

One of your countrywomen, Miss Yukiyama, is here at a Conference we are holding this week and next. She is from Kanazawa, and a fine Christian girl. If you are not working next Tuesday or Wednesday mornings, and can come in here, Miss Dickie could introduce you to Miss Yukiyama.

The Rev. S. S. Lesser,
Cooperstown, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a note that will be self-explanatory.

Very cordially yours,

June 13th, 1905.

June 13th, 1903.

The Rev. J. J. Eads,

Gold Hill, No. Carolina.

My Dear Sir:-

I have pleasure in putting in the form you desire, the information regarding our Church membership, foreign missionary contributions, and the expense o administration in our foreign missionary work.

1. The membership of our Church for the year ending April 30, 1902, was 1,045,358.

2. The total receipts of our Board of Foreign Missions for the same year wa ms $1,086,341.72.

3. Our total disbursements in the home office were $38,342.08. The amount reported as distinctively administrative expense was, $46,421.74, or about 4 1/3 per cent. of the total receipts. If the total amount expended in the home office is included, the proportion not sent out to the foreign field would be 8 1/3 per cent., leaving 93 2/3 per cent. going directly to the missionaries and their work.

Very sincerely yours,

June 1[illegible], 190[illegible].

Mr. E. L. Trumbull,

1031 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charley:

I enclose herewith the Young People's Topics for August 30th and Sept. 27th. This completes the copy, I think, until the end of September.

Very affectionately yours,

June 13th, 1901.

Mr. H. R. Allison,
2 Ivy Lane, E. C.,
London, England.

Dear Sir:-

Your card, informing us that you have sent a copy of Welch's "Challenge of Christian Missions," for review in the Record of Christian Work is received. A copy of the magazine containing the notice will be sent you.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

June 16,1905.

The Rev. R. Miller, D.D.,

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Doctor Miller:

I enclose herewith the next article in the Young Men's Series. I think it is No.9.

Would you care to have me send you the MS. of a [illegible] by Rev. W. [illegible] Shedd of Toronto, comprising the Lectures on Mo[illegible] and Christ[illegible], which he delivered at the Presbyterian [illegible] Seminary this past year. I have read over one of the lectures and they represent very solid, scholarly work. Mr. Shedd wanted to take them to Macmillan and do so, but Macmillan did not wish to undertake their publication. If you would be willing to look them over or have them examined with reference to their possible publication by your Board, I shall send them over to you.

I have just received a copy of Mrs. Curtis' book. It is beautifully gotten up and I should prove a very useful and popular book.

Very affectionately yours,

June 15th, 1901.

Dr. Herbert E. Bright,

Clifton Springs, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Bright:-

Your kind note of June 8th has been received. I sent the enclosure on at once on an errand of its own which I think will accomplish good.

I shall be thankful if the article helps at all in the effort which you are making to bring the Bible more fully to the attention and into the use of the Church.

As for the Editorial Board, while I should be glad at any time to do anything I can, I really should prefer not to be put on. It may be that I am unreasonable, but I do not like to get my name associated with things except where responsibility is involved and where I feel able to give the attention that warrants responsibility.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

June 13th, 1905.

Mr. H. B. Elliott,
195 State Street,
Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of June 3rd has been received. I shall be glad to see if I can give you anything for your little series of booklets. If I have anything that would fit into the series, I shall be glad to send it to you.

I should be glad to see some time a copy of the American Witness, in order to feel the general spirit of the paper, and to see its purpose and method.

Very sincerely yours,

June 18th, 1906.

Miss A. M. Spring,
The Osborne,
57th Street & Seventh Avenue, N. Y. City.

Dear Miss Spring:-

Mr. Speer has asked me to write you a little note in his absence, as he has left on a trip among the Students' Conferences, explaining about the two young men of whom you have spoken to him and of whom he has written to you. Mr. Wood has just telephoned to Mr. Speer, that Mr. Hall will not be able to go to Northfield; that Mr. Chalmers will be glad to go for three or four days, if Mr. Speer's friend's offer holds good for that. Of course Mr. Hall is the young man whom you wanted to get to Northfield, and not Mr. Chalmers. What shall I tell Mr. Wood? That if Mr. Hall cannot go, your object will not be accomplished in making it possible for Mr. Chalmers to go? Of course Mr. Wood does not know who Mr. Speer's friend is who is making this offer. And I only know because I am Mr. Speer's secretary, and thus have to know the most of Mr. Speer's correspondence here. Whatever you wish me to tell Mr. Wood, I shall be glad to communicate to him.

Very truly yours,

June 13th, 1903.

Mr. Louis Hieb,

Diamond Pond, N. H.

My Dear Mr. Hieb:-

I was glad to hear of your safe arrival at the Camp. I am sorry the black flies have been bothering you. They stayed around until late in July, I believe, though sometimes they are worse than at others. Mr. Little will put you on to the merits of smudges, by which black flies can be greatly discouraged.

I hope there have been no fires on the wood mountains. It is distressing to think of the possibility of fires in those splendid woods that I fished through the last few Summers.

Mrs. Speer and I are very sorry to hear of Mr. Little's illness, and trust he may be soon quite well again.

I presume Mr. Little has fishing tackle that we can let you have, in case you have none. I have several rods packed away somewhere in the Camp, but I do not know where they are, and I am afraid there are no reels or lines or hooks with them, as I have those things at home here. Still, if you go down the stream you can do just about as well with a good stick. I have had as much fun fishing with a fresh stick cut out of a thicket as I ever had with rods.

I hope that the Camp may prove a great help both to you and to Mrs. Hieb.

Very cordially yours,

June 18th, 1902.

Miss Bigo,
C/o Baring, Magoun & Co.,
New York City.

Dear Miss Bigo:-

I hope if there is any service that we can do for you while you are in the States, you will let us know; and if you plan to be in New York at any time, I wish I might hear of it, as Mrs. Speer would hope to have the pleasure of meeting you.

Trusting you may have a very pleasant and profitable year, I am,

Very cordially yours,

June 18th, 1902.

The Rev. Sidney S. Conger,
Cooperstown, N. Y.

My Dear Sidney-

I am writing to some friends in the Park church of Newark. I had not heard that that church was to become vacant. I know that church well, having had a Bible Class in it ten or twelve years ago.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,

June 18th, 1903.

Mr. H. V. Frost,

Norristown, Penna.

My Dear Mr. Frost:-

I thank you for your good letter of yesterday, and rejoice with you in the new blessing in your home. I am very thankful that Mrs. Frost is so well, and pray for God's abiding blessing upon the little boy.

With much love,

Yours sincere friend,

June 18th, 1903.

Mrs. S. M. Lynch,

Englewood, N. J.

My Dear Mrs. Lynch:-

I have written this morning to Dr. Bovaird, who is on the staff of the Presbyterian Hospital, asking him to send you a note that would enable you to really see the inside of things there and at the Sloan Maternity. I have asked him also, to let you know, in case he knows, of any Nurses' Boarding House or Home here in the city. Mrs. Speer said that you wanted to know this also.

Very cordially yours,

June 18th, 1903.

Mrs. James S. Cushman,

38 East 27th Street, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mrs. Cushman:-

I wish I might have accepted your Mother's invitation to luncheon, but, as I told your brother this morning, I have to leave to-day for a three weeks' trip among the Conferences, and every moment has been occupied. I am very sorry that I could not see her. Perhaps it will be time enough when she and your Father come back from their trip abroad.

I hope that you may have a delightful time. I had not heard that you were going until your brother told me.

With warm regards from us all to you and Mr. Cushman, I am,

Your sincere friend,

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June 18th, 1913.

Mr. W. P. W. Williams,
22 Warnock Lane,
London, E. C., England.

My Dear Mr. Williams:-

Your kind letter of June 10th is just received. The prospects of my coming to the Edinburgh Conference are very [illegible] We have lately made some readjustments of our work here, due to the laying [illegible] pondence with the Missions on the part of our Senior Secretary, Mr. Wilmot, which has resulted in my taking about one-third of his work. This will make it all the more difficult for me to get away for so long a period [illegible] required to attend the Conference. I can let you know definitely [illegible] the Fall. If I am able to go, it would be a pleasure to spend a little [illegible] the Presbyterian Training Colleges in Scotland, although I could not [illegible] as in case I could go at all, I should have to come back [illegible] time from my work here as practicable.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

June 18th, 1903.

Miss Alice Jackson,
9 Belmont Avenue,
Northampton, Mass.

My Dear Miss Jackson:-

Your two good letters have been received. I have had to write Mr. Kilbourn that there is no possibility of my coming up to Massachusetts the middle of October. October is the month when our Synods meet, and I shall be in the West, I think, during the month. I told him that Dr. Harris had invited me to spend the first Sunday in Andover, that I had not been able to accept so yet, not knowing whether I would have to leave for the Synods too early to allow me to have that Sunday in the East. Even if I could go to Andover that Sunday, however, I could not remain over for Monday, as our Board meets the first and third Mondays of each month, and I should have to be back for this meeting on November 5th. In case I went to Andover for October 4th, and your meeting should be on Saturday, October 3rd, as you suggest, I could be present for a late afternoon or evening session.

Thank you very much for your letter which came to Englewood, regarding the religious influence of the Faculty. I have no doubt of the kind feeling of the Faculties of our Colleges, and their desire to be helpful, and I know you will say whenever you are the most generous and hopeful side of things. I doubt myself, however, whether the influence of the Faculty at Smith begins to be as strong as it should in the support of the convictions of the evangelical faith.

I shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you at Silver Bay, and hope for some time in the Summer at Englewood.

With warm regards from Mrs. Speer and myself.

Your sincere friend,

July 7, 1899.

Mr. W. H. Moody,

East Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Will:

[illegible] I have had very much information in the Philippines in Cambridge. People will be very glad to review the book. Several years ago, I read - Captain Young [illegible] by the book to be interesting also review.

I had received your good note, informing me of my appointment as Trustee but the hand-bills called for the meeting came. I missed the pleasure with children and guests to get to Grace Church. While sorry I am.

I was sorry to have missed you at Springfield, hope you will be at a dinner of the Trustees, your letter will find. I shall look for the pleasure if you do have, next week. I shall come up on the train reaching South Vernon about five o'clock.

I greatly enjoyed my visit to Lawrence and the Chamberlain Conference. I felt I greatly enjoyed my work in Salem and truly felt I did have a word to speak to the men.

Very affectionately yours,

[illegible]

Mr. E. T. Colton,

140 La Salle Street,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Colton:

Your note with its enclosed check was received yesterday and I return herewith the receipt [illegible]. Thank you very much for your kindness. I have very much enjoyed my visits to Northfield this year and indeed the whole week being [illegible] the last two days at Northfield.

I hope you may be able to get some good rest this Summer, and with kind regards to Mrs. Colton and yourself, I am

Very sincerely yours,

P.

July 15th, 1903.

Mr. C. G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Charlie:

Your good letter of yesterday is just received. It is most interesting to hear of the Prayer Meeting in your office. We have had a daily Prayer Meeting in our offices for the last seven years or so and have found it inveluable. I don't know now of any day that I shall likely be in Philadelphia next Fall and Winter at the time of your Prayer Meeting. Monday is the day on which our Board meets, and, as a rule, I have to get back here, when I have been away speaking, on Monday just as quickly as possible. But if some time I am in Philadelphia at noon on a day when you are having your Prayer Meeting, I shall be most happy to come in.

I am sending herewith the rest of the Young people's articles for the year, with the exception of Oct. 25th, Nov. 25th and Dec. 20th and 27th. These four I shall send later.

I hope that you are all well and sorry that there is no prospect of your getting up to Camp Diamond this Summer. I am sending your father a copy of another little book of mine, which quotes him a number of times and which, indeed, rather duplicates his little book on "Border Lines".

With much love to all,

Very affectionately yours,

Encs.

July 15th, 1903.

Mr. Delevan L. Pierson,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Del;

I enclose herewith the reports of the Sunday morning and Monday evening addresses. I have just received the Saturday morning one, which I will correct and return as soon as possible. Even if you don't use the Saturday evening address I wish you would have it written out and let me have it. If there is any expense involved in doing this, to which you would not otherwise be put, I shall be glad to meet it. If you print the address I made on Monday evening, I, of course, should like to revise that also.

I am sorry I didn't see more of you, but I couldn't come out to your Autograph Album to call on Mrs. Pierson.

Very affectionately yours,

Enos.

July 20th, 1903.

Miss Nannie Brooks,

Sykesville, Md.

My Dear Miss Brooks:

One of the poems to which you refer, I think must be the poem of the old English poet Whitehead. I enclose a correct copy of the verses which I quoted in Baltimore. I did not remember quoting the other poem to which you refer in that sermon, and I think I did not do so, but I may have quoted it in some other address which you heard. I think you were referring to the lines of George Arnold's entitled, "Lees of Life" as follows:

I have had my will
Tasted every pleasure
I have drunk my fill of the purple measure
Life has lost its zest
Sorrow is my guest
Oh the lees are bitter, bitter
Give me rest.

Love once filled the bowl
Running o'er with blisses,
Made my very soul drunk with scarlet kisses,
But I drank it dry
Love has passed me by,
Oh, the lees are bitter, bitter
Let me die.

Very sincerely yours,

July 20th, 1903.

Mr. Herbert Little,

Diamond Pond, N. H.

Dear Mr. Little:

We are hoping to come up to Colebrook on Friday, July 31st and shall be ready to drive out to the Camp the following morning. Will you please send the wagons in for us. There will be seven adults and three children, and we shall be at the Monadnock House. I shall expect the trunks to reach Colebrook Friday night when we do, and of course, we should want them out on Saturday as soon as convenient.

I was very sorry to hear some time ago that you had not been well, and I hope that you have quite recovered and that everything has been going pleasantly at the Camp.

We are looking forward with great delight to coming. The children talk about it every day.

I think Mrs. Speer has written to you fully about all the arrangements. There will be in our party beside Mrs. Speer, myself and the children, Mrs. Bailey, Miss Walker and Miss Jean Loomis and a friend of hers.

With kind regards to Mrs. Little and the children from us all,

Very cordially yours,

P.

July 30th, 1908.

The Monadnock House,

Colebrook, N. H.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly reserve rooms at the Monadnock House for myself and party for the night of July 31st. I should like to have the double room with two beds, which you have let me have before, and beside this three rooms each with a double bed, and one containing a cot or crib also, if you have one. There will be seven adults and three children in the party. We shall arrive on the train from Boston about half past six in the evening, I believe.

Yours truly,

July 20th,1905.

Dr. James H. Canfield,
Library,
Columbia University,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Canfield:

Your kind note regarding that poem,which I quoted at Northfield,attributing it to Kingsley, was received yesterday. I looked over my volumes of Kingsley's poems last night and had the same experiemce that you have had. I saw the little poem some time ago,published on the cover of a Quaker paper,"The American Friend" published in Philadelphia. The poem was attributed there to Kingsley,and I just stowed it away in my memory without looking it up,trusting that the editor of "The American Friend" had made no slip. I am writing to him,to ask him about the authorship. I shall let you know if I hear anything from him

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

July 17,1894.

Mr. J. G. Estill,

Dublin Shore, N.S.

My dear Mr. Estill:

Your kind note of July 13th. with its enclosed check, is just received. It is very kind of you to take all this trouble. I am glad you are having such a good time and shall look forward with delight at seeing you again next year.

Kind warm regards to Mrs. Estill and the boys.

Your sincere friend,

July 20th, 1903.

The Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D. D.,
Pelham Manor, N. Y.

My dear Uncle Charlie:

I have been toilsomely trying to straighten out next year's appointments. It is no easy task. So far as I can now see, I am afraid there will be no Sunday that I can have for a little luxuriant visit to Pelham Manor, which you proposed. If it turns out otherwise I shall let you know, but I do not see now how it is going to be possible to work it in.

I hope that you and Aunt Clara are getting some rest, and with warm love, I am,

Affectionately, your nephew,

July 20th, 1903.

Mr. T. S. Evans,

Woolwich, Maine.

My dear father Adams:

It was delightful to receive this morning your letter of the 17th and to know that you were out of that torrid Boston, up in the cool country. I hope you may have a very happy and restful summer and am glad to hear of your plans for permanent settlement up there. We had a very good time at Northfield this year. I only missed seeing your shining face.

I am sending you herewith a copy of a missionary appeal which we have just got out, and I know will impress you.

I hope to get up at the end of next week with Mrs. Speer and the children for a rest in the woods in northern New Hampshire. This is just a little note of love from all the family.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

July 20th, 1903.

Miss Alice Varley,
East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Varley:

The book which you left at the Betsey Moody Cottage, Shadwick's "Life of Channing", I received and will review in time. I enclose herewith a review of one book and have written nine or ten more, which have not been copied off yet.

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.

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July 21,1903.

Mr. Hugh R. Elliott,

193 State Street,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir;

I enclose herewith the copy on "The Second Coming of Christ" for the little book. I am sorry I have not been able to send it sooner, but your letter of June 17th. came when I was away from New York.

I shall be very much obliged if you would let me read the proof of this little book. I shall be away for the month of August at Diamond Pond, N.H. and you can address me there. I shall be back in my office here about the first of September.

If you will kindly let me see a copy of "The American Witness" as soon as you have published it, I shall get an idea of just the sort of article you want. I am afraid I shall not be able to provide anything for the first issue.

Very truly yours,

July 21,1903.

The Rev. George Robson, D.D.

Perth, Scotland.

My dear Doctor Robson:

I have just received a copy of your two Addresses, as Moderator at the General Assembly of the United Free Church of Scotland. I do not know from whom the pamphlet came, but I write to thank you for it. I rejoiced when I saw that you had been chosen Moderator and felt a bit of pride, myself, because I knew you and could call you a friend. I rejoice that you had such a splendid meeting and that the Church honored you and itself, in honoring you.

With warm regards and very pleasant memories, I am ever,

Very faithfully yours,

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Heard. [illegible] to note your [illegible] your cause or [illegible] you at least [illegible] would be just as [illegible] orthodoxy of the [illegible] only thank that your theory of the [illegible] [illegible] and faith [illegible] theory. There [illegible] for the truth of personality on your [illegible] [illegible] electricity, than there is in [illegible] [illegible] belief in a personal God, Creator and [illegible] [illegible] of our spirits.

I don't want to emphasize, however, the point [illegible] [illegible] a point on which we agree. [illegible] [illegible] of Jesus, and I am returning to [illegible] [illegible] and most fearless thinkers [illegible] [illegible] of Jesus, [illegible] [illegible] and was [illegible]

Dr. [illegible]

[illegible] Post [illegible],

[illegible], New York.

My dear Doctor [illegible]:

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Dr I.S.Kumson, -2-

[illegible] is possible for you to [illegible] there. [illegible] from the [illegible] Jesus, all that is wholesome, you still have left in every picture of Jesus' character [illegible] Jesus' teaching, more than you can [illegible] plain, if you are not willing to assent in some measure to Jesus' claims.

Let us drop the whole question of the Church and the amount of hypocrisy that there may be in it, or its failure to realize Christ's ideal. You and I are having to deal with Christ, Himself. But what is our personal attitude to Jesus and His teaching about ourselves and God. The single [illegible] as the great teachers, - but there's a great doctrine was the Doctrine of God - His relation to the life of every man.

I hope you will take time to read the little book which I am sending you and that you will be willing to read also a book by [illegible] Stephens, [illegible] Simpson, entitled, "The Fact of Christ".

Thank you for the cheering way in which you received my letter, and wishing for you, as, that I want for yourself, namely, - the discovery of the Truth and obedience to it, I am

Very sincerely yours,

July 21, 1912.

Miss Annie E. Hutchinson,

[illegible] Dwight Place,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Miss Hutchinson:

I received a long, while ago your note, and then later, the copy of [illegible]'s book. I do not know how I have had been able to get [illegible] to see you, and am afraid that I shall not be able to come just now, because of the work that has to be crowded off and it takes morning, afternoon and night. If at any time I can be of any real help to you, however, I shall be very glad.

Have you ever seen the enclosed little poem? I think you will like it.

Very sincerely yours,

July 22, 1903.

Rev. H. A. Bridgman,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Bridgman:-

Your kind note of July 20th was received yesterday. I am returning herewith the proof of my article with a few corrections.

I am sorry I shall not be at Northfield in August. I wish I might be there to have the pleasure of seeing you and meeting Mrs. Bridgman.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

July 22, 1903.

Rev. O. H. Bronson,
Simsbury, Conn.

My dear Bronson:-

I am sending you herewith, by express prepaid, the chapters of the Memorial which you have not had with the exception of chapter two, which Mrs. Pitkin will send you.

Very cordially yours,

July 22, 1903.

Mr. D. L. Pierson,
East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Del:-

I return herewith the last address you sent me. I shall hope to send "The Believing Heart" within a few days. You will let me have some time, will you not, a copy of the Saturday evening address at the Students' Conference which you are not going to print?

Very affectionately.

July 22, 1903.

Mr. F. C. Ratzenbach,
Trenton, N. J.

My dear Frank:-

Will you send me some time a list of the contributions which have been sent to you for the Class Memorial.

Very cordially yours,

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May 31, 1900.

Miss Louise Pine Clark,

Agawam, Mass.

My dear Miss Clark:

I am sending you herewith a copy of a letter book, "The Two Thousand Issue", of which I think I spoke to you at Silver Bay. I hope it may be of some use to you.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Miss Alice Carter,

73 Kingsboro Ave.,

Gloversville, N.Y.

My dear Miss Carter:

I have been looking up lately, editions of Browning, and the last one I could find was a small one in two volumes, published by Crowell. These, I have ordered for you in accordance with your instructions. It was mailed to-day and I hope you may get it to-morrow or Saturday It is only a pleasure to serve you in this way.

Thank you very much for the kind words in your letter. I have been glad to know you and am glad that you have come into the family now, and that even if I do not dust the rooms in your part of the house, we all live under the same roof.

With kindest regards to Russell and yourself,

Your sincere friend,

July [illegible], [illegible].

The Rev. [illegible] Stokes, Jr.,
Yale University.
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Stokes.

Your note of yesterday is just received and I shall look forward to coming to Yale for November 15th.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

July 23rd/1903.

The New York Sun,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

Beginning with Friday, July 31st., will you kindly send my copy of the New York Sun, which you have been sending to me at Englewood, N.J. to me at "Diamond Pond, New Hampshire", reverting to the Englewood address on Saturday, August 29th. ?

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] Lorraine [illegible],

[illegible],

[illegible] Co. [illegible].

Dear [illegible]:

I mentioned to Mrs. Spear the fact that Miss Forman spoke in her letter to us as though you were coming up on July 20th., and Mrs. Spear remembered then that we told you we were going to move on the 19th. That is a mistake - Mrs. Spear had the right day of the week in mind and made a mistake in the day of the month. We expect to take the Fall River boat on Thursday afternoon, July 20th. As I understand from your letter, we are to meet you on the boat. I will have the tickets from New York to Colebrook. Perhaps it would be easier to meet on the boat, if I tell you that our rooms are 6, 7, 8 and 9. It is the steamer "Priscilla". I hope that your trunk will turn to be there in good time to be checked.

Looking forward with great pleasure to seeing you, I am

As ever,

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

July 22, 1922.

Rev. Charles S. Mills, D.D.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Dr. Mills:-

We want to publish as a frontispiece to the Memorial of Pitkin a photograph and under it to place a copy of the last signature. Mrs. Pitkin has picked out to use as the best signature. [illegible] the end of the work of Mr. Pitkin's [illegible] in the church. I only hesitated to send the signature for the reason that I thought, however, it might be better if you should grant permission. I thought, however, having so many letters with his autograph you would be willing to place this one as you will have a copy of it always in the frontispiece in the Memorial.

I have done practically all of my work on the Memorial. Mr. Bronson is now going over it and Mrs. Pitkin has one chapter, having gone over all the others. I hope to turn it over to the printer next week.

Mrs. Pitkin preferred that nothing should be said about the unfavorable side of Mr. Pitkin's examination for [illegible], so I have simply recorded facts.

With kind regards, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] Dear Louie,

[illegible] T. [illegible] Bond,

Beverly Farms, [illegible]

[illegible] dear:

[illegible] you and your friend [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] the Hint. [illegible] train that we take from Boston [illegible] by way of Portsmouth and [illegible] [illegible] Farms near Concord. The right thing for you to do [illegible] you are [illegible] Windsor, as I understand you are, is to go straight north from Windsor [illegible] the Boston & Maine train leaving at 7.40 in the morning and reaching [illegible] at 11.50. The train which we shall be on from Boston [illegible] you at [illegible], so that [illegible] just have a comfortable time for dinner and [illegible]

If you are at the railroad station in Windsor, you [illegible] the place [illegible] by the station agent.

If you do not do this, then the best thing for you to do is to [illegible] at 7.40 in the morning and go right through to Boston, with [illegible] Junction and Cove Junction [illegible] at Chicopee [illegible] arrive at Boston at [illegible] o'clock at night. I will meet you at the station and take you to the Home [illegible]

Could you get me [illegible] the name and address of [illegible] Burnham [illegible], who wrote me the questions on the subject of the Dedicatory [illegible]. I would like to send each of them a little book.

[illegible] I hope [illegible] from us all.

[illegible]

Miss Mary Dawson Keller,

[illegible], N.Y.

My dear Miss Keller:-

Your very kind letter of July 19th was received yesterday. It was very generous of you to write to President [illegible], offering to help him with the quotations. I hope it may not involve you in too much work. If you will just enter your results in your copy of "The Man Christ Jesus" and will bring it with you some time to Englewood, I should like to transcribe your notes into my copy. I notice that you speak of not having a copy with you as I am sending you one.

I was very much interested in what you write about your growing appreciation of the mystical side of Christianity. I believe in it with all my heart; and do not see how any one can read the New Testament with an open mind without finding it there. I am interested also in your comparison of Fredonia and the college as fields in which to touch real life. I think your comparison is altogether fair.

With kindest regards from us all,

Your sincere friend,

Mr. Herbert S. Little,

Diamond Pond, N. H.

My dear Mr. Little,-

Yesterday I sent by express a box of books addressed A. E. Speer, care of Camp Diamond, Colbrook, N. H. Will you please have them taken up to the Camp as soon as they reach Colbrook, and put the box in the tent I have used the last two summers as a study, if that tent is put up, and not otherwise used. If it is otherwise needed, please put the box in the tent which I believe I am to occupy, just adjoining the cabin we are to have.

Very cordially yours,

I enclose herewith $2.00 for which you are... I hope that

Mr. S. P. Fry,

Juvenile Asylum,

[illegible]

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I would suggest the following names to [illegible] information regarding the Asylum may be sent. You can find address in the City Directory:

James Talcott, C. R. Dodge, D. Willis James,

T. E. Isham, Jr., J. S. Kennedy, John Crosby Brown,

C. S. Gaylor, F. R. Brown, Rutger Van Rensselaer,

Jas. H. Hoyler, Wm. Phillips Hall, Lancelline Hastings Wedge.

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible], [illegible] Co., [illegible].

Dear [illegible]:-

[illegible] of the [illegible] is just received. Oddly enough, [illegible] might [illegible] the [illegible] chance I have had to read [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] with it. I am returning it [illegible].

I was very [illegible] pleased with it, I [illegible], to be frank, I like your paper [illegible] better than Gardiner's. I think the [illegible] aphorism business is overdone, there is a little too much [illegible] wise, Pater-Edmund's Alberto spirit about [illegible] sections. [illegible] the book outlined [illegible] rather Gardiner's [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] that you might write. But the book is [illegible] good in [illegible] you get it out. The [illegible] I am thankful that [illegible] [illegible] these [illegible] your [illegible] are [illegible] Van Dyke's [illegible]. Let me take [illegible] Gardiner's part first so that in [illegible] forwarding my criticism of it. He might [illegible] your [illegible] too, though I don't think he will need to forward any criticism regarding [illegible].

I [illegible] to get [illegible] in northern New [illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible]

July 25, 1903.

Mr. Edwin D. Worcester, Jr.,
30 West 44th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Your kind note, enclosing a card of admission to the Yale Club, is just received. I am very much obliged to you for your kindness.

Very truly yours,

Paul H. Allen

July 28th,1903.

Mr. Delevan L. Pierson,

East Northfield,Mass.

My dear Del:

If it is not too late,I wish you would cut out altogether from my address on "The Believing Heart" the reference [illegible] to the Delegation meeting at one of the Women's Conferences. The girl to whom I refer there would be sure to get hold of the address and it might hurt them to have the matter spoken of as I speak of it.

Very cordially yours,

I.

July 28th,1903.

N. B. Dana,
322 Washington Street,
Boston,Mass.

Dear Sir:

In addition to the drawing room and the seats you have already reserved for me from Boston to Northfield on the train leaving Friday morning, will you kindly reserve one more seat?

Very truly yours,

July 28th, 1903.

Miss Jean Loomis,
c/o Mr. C. H. Tweed,
Beverley Farms, Mass.

My dear Jean:

I got yesterday your good letter, giving the names and addresses of Miss Swan and Miss Parker. I am writing to them, sending them each a copy of my little book "The Man Christ Jesus". I shall not bestow missions on you suggest to Miss Parker or, indeed, to Miss Swan either.

In the spirit of your suggestion that whatever I would send them would be useful to them I expect they have this little book, but if you haven't, I shall be delighted to give you a copy.

The train that we take at the Boston and Maine Station on Friday morning leaves at 8:40. I am writing to engage tickets for you and your friend. We expect to march early at eight o'clock in the morning and shall get over to the Boston and Maine station between half past eight and nine. We shall probably get some breakfast there and shall be looking for you in the station. You will have less trouble in discovering our cavalcade than we will in finding you. When we have met there, there will be plenty of time to see about the tickets.

I had a long excellent letter from your father yesterday.

Looking forward with delight to seeing you on Friday, I am,

Your sincere friend,

July 27, [illegible]

The Hon. G. T. Bronson,

[illegible]

My dear Bronson:

The Memorial MS. is just received. [illegible] that she has re-arranged the second chapter, so [illegible] popularity [illegible] tion. Does not trouble her and her mother, as it did in the original [illegible] that she has sent the chapter on. I hope it may get here to-day, [illegible] pect to leave town to-morrow. I am glad that she was able to fix the second chapter [illegible] satisfactory, and hope that [illegible] may now be sent without any more change. I [illegible] that about it, [illegible] there was anything in the chapter that [illegible] would be asking to have the same [illegible] smoothed out.

You will have received my note about the Converts. [illegible] supposed, of course, that there would be a complete [illegible] anything thought. I notice that the file of the [illegible] my hospital, I have forgotten which, is [illegible] that was to put in a page or so on the subject, [illegible] from his articles, except the one or two which you sent me.

Very cordially yours,

July 29,1903.

Mr. Joseph B. Gurr,

C/o Mr. Edgar Cook,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Joe:

I [illegible] this Summer, but if you are abroad, this letter will keep until you get back. It is with reference to [illegible] I think, I suppose this present year. [illegible] get hold of him. I do not know the boy, [illegible] anxious about him. Don't you get [illegible] and letting him know, of course, that you have been put up to do it? If I come down next year, I will try to see him if it would do any good; but you, who are on the ground, can accomplish the most.

[illegible] has been with us for the last month and she [illegible] are coming to get her to-morrow for the Northern New Hampshire.

Very cordially yours,

July 28th, 1903.

Prof. Jesse Carter,

Princeton, N. J.

My dear Proffessor Carter,

I am writing a little sketch of Van Rensalaer Hodge for a young people's paper published by our church and while I have of course plenty of general testimonial to his worth, I should like very much to get if possible a few more little specific incidents such as would make his life more real and helpful to boys. Can you recall anything from your association with him that would be useful in this regard.

Very sincerely yours,

July 28th, 1903.

Prof. W. B. Scott,

Princeton, N. J.

My dear Professor Scott,

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Very sincerely yours,

July 28th, 1903.

The Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D. D.,

Spring Lake Beach, N. J.

My dear Dr. Hodge,

Your very kind letter of yesterday is just received. I have a fear that there will not be more than enough material for the right kind of a sketch. I think I have almost enough now with your good letter and what I already had but I am writing to Prof. Scott and Jesse Carter also.

With warm regards,

Very cordially yours,

July 27th, 1[illegible].

Mr. R. D. Bardwell,

Pittsfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Bardwell,

The last night of the Students' Conference at Northfield this summer I had a conference with the fellows who were [illegible] from Andover and we talked over the work at the Academy for the coming year. It seems to me a pity that so few of the fellows who [illegible] the conference from Andover were going back to the school. I hope that next year that a good delegation can be worked up of fellows who have at least one more year in the school and bring back into the work all that they got at Northfield. It is a good thing to have [illegible] who are going right back into college, but it is the college which reaps the benefit in such cases.

One of the points that was discussed in our conference was the importance of your having a good lot of men [illegible] coming year and of the wisdom of the appointment [illegible] dent of three or four committees which will take responsibility and with which every fortnight or so you can meet to discuss the work.

Would it not be a good thing for you to appoint a committee on membership at once consisting of three men and have these men with yourself take the school a day before it opens so that you can get to work right away among the young fellows and get them into the society.

I should think it would be a good thing if you would have a committee on Bible study and another on personal work and have one

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of [illegible] for its own department and that as I have suggested [illegible] together with regularity to talk over what has been accomplished and make their plans for the future.

I hope that you may have a year at Andover and that the religious life of the school may be stronger than it has been in years.

With best wishes for your work as President of the Society, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

July 26th, 1892.

Mr. Warren B. Dunbury,

Wellsley Hills, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Dunbury,

It was a great pleasure to receive to-day your kind letter of July 20th Friday in Quebec. I am very thankful if that address on Sunday afternoon was helpful to you. I really felt that I did have a message to speak and that it was getting uttered somehow with less obstruction than usual, but I could not reproduce it now as I spoke it that afternoon; of course I did not have it written out and while I could duplicate much of it, it would not be all.

Something of what I said is embodied in a little pamphlet published by the Student Volunteer Movement, a copy of which I am sending you. This pamphlet is a little ragged in the way it presents the matter but I think it sets forth the truth.

I hope you will stop in our offices if you happen to be here in the City and passing by and it will always be a pleasure to see you or hear from you.

Very cordially yours,

July 25,1922.

Mrs. H. P. Pitkin,

528 Grant St.,

Troy, O.

My dear Mrs. Pitkin:

Your note of the 25th. and the Chapter II, as you have arranged it, have just been received. [illegible] Chapter, but the idea of the [illegible] is a thoroughly good one. Possibly, one or two of the paragraphs on the "[illegible]" could [illegible] be omitted. I shall go over the chapter tonight and perhaps some of these [illegible] would be [illegible]. I am very glad you have changed the chapter and that it is satisfactory to you in the present form.

Mr. Brown has sent back the chapters which he had, but I [illegible] the [illegible] is not [illegible] to be made [illegible].

We are hoping to go off to-morrow evening for Northern New Hampshire.

Our children were delighted to get little Horace 's letter and they [illegible] a copy of the little book, [illegible] I think [illegible] spoke to you.

I shall try to put all the M.S. of the Memorial into Mr. Powell's hands tomorrow. There may be some corrections [illegible] by Judge [illegible], which I shall want to [illegible]. My last office address will be "Diamond Ford, N.H."

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself,

Yours sincere friend,

July 28th,1903.

Miss Mary A. Parker,
797 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Miss Parker:

I have remembered with much pleasure my visit to the Barnard Delegation at Silver Bay and have asked Miss Loomis to give me your address and Miss Swan's, who asked some of the questions that evening, that I might send you, if you are willing, a copy of a little book on the character of Christ, which represents a way of coming at the problem of Christianity which I found most helpful to myself and which may be helpful to you.

I hope you may have a pleasant summer, and that the work at Barnard next year may be better than it has ever been before.

Very sincerely yours,

July 28th, 1903.

Miss Bessie L. Swen,
Union Avenue,
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Dear Miss Swen;

I have remembered with much pleasure my visit to the Barnard Delegation at Silver Bay and have asked Miss Loomis to give me your address and Miss Parker's, who asked some of the questions that evening, that I might send you, if you are willing, a copy of a little book on the character of Christ, which represents a way of coming at the problem of Christianity which I found most helpful to myself and which may be helpful to you.

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Very sincerely yours,

July 26th,1903.

The Rev. McLeod Harvey,
47 Murray Avenue,
Worcester,Mass.

My dear Mr. Harvey:

Thank you very much for your kind note of July 25th,with its report of the remarkable address at Clark University. I think it would be charitable to believe that the reporter has botched things some,but even with all such allowances, Dr. Chamberlain's address is ridiculous enough. It is about as absurd an illustration of hypothetical generalization run to imbecility as I have ever seen. I have read some of the other productions of Clark University and it does seem to me to be a fearful and wonderful institution

Very sincerely yours,

July 28th,1903.

Miss Louise M. Lyon,

Bridgeton, New Jersey.

My dear Miss Lyon:

Your kind note of yesterday, regarding the speech of Mr. Pitkin's at the American Board Meeting in Brooklyn in 1895, is received. Mrs. Pitkin told me of your impressions of that address. I am very much obliged to you for writing so satisfactorily about it. I have tried to get some full report of just what Mr. Pitkin said at that time, but none seems to have been kept, and the foremost recollections of those who were there correspond with yours, in remembering most clearly the earnestness and sincerity of the personal character back of the words, rather than of the words themselves.

Very cordially yours,

July 28th, 1903.

Miss Clara Mc Murtrie,

Huntingdon, Pa.

My dear Aunt Clara,

Your good letter came some time ago but I have been delayed in answering it and can now quote a paragraph from a letter of Mr. Millar's about the church, this letter was received this morning. The following is what he says about the building:-

"The church on the Seminary Property is under roof. It is a beauty. The German Secretary of the Embassy saw it and was so highly pleased with it that he has asked the same Architect to draw plans and make bids on a similar one for the Germans in Mexico City. I think that it will be finished and ready for use by October.

"Have you had the brass plate with inscription made? If it is ready please send it, so that we may put it up in the wall in its place."

I went to see the tablet as I think I wrote Uncle Stewart, it was a very pretty tablet just the kind that we had in the mission. It has been shipped now with the slab of green marble on which it is to be mounted, to Mr. Millar.

About the books for the Association, I will go over the books I don't want some time at home and see whether there are any that you could really use.

Emma and the children, and Mrs. Bailey and I hope to get off day after to-morrow for Camp Diamond. I wish you were coming with us.

With a great deal of love to all,

Very affectionately yours,

July 30th,1903.

Mr. A. S. McCord,
Old Colony Building,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Al:

Now that we are beginning the last year intervening before our Fifteenth Anniversary, we want to gather in, if possible, all the contributions to the Memorial Fund. Could you remit to Katzenbach, the present Treasurer of the Committee, the generous contribution of $300, about which you wrote in your note of June 20th, and couldn't you get Hall to give a similar amount. May be you and he would both be willing to increase your contributions to say $500. a piece. We need about $4000, I think, to make up our $10,000. Katzenbach's address is Frank S. Katzenbach, Jr., Forst Rickey Building, Trenton, N. J.

Very cordially yours,

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Very cordially yours,

July 30th,1903.

Mrs. Simpson,
58 Queen Street,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Mrs. Simpson:

It was very kind of you to send me at the beginning of the year your cordial greeting. I remember with much pleasure your great kindness when I was in Edinburgh, and I am sorry that I shall not be able to come over this next January to the Students' Missionary Convention, and have the pleasure of meeting you and Professor Simpson again.

I enclose herewith a little pamphlet entitled, "Daily Bible", which is self-explanatory. If you have not seen it I think you will be interested in the scheme of it. Often one wants for one's own devotional Bible reading just some such little aid as this small pamphlet gives and we often come in contact with Christians whose Christian life is immature and who really need some such help as this. I have always found very helpful myself some little Bible verses without any comments or expositions, printed on separate slips which one can carry about in one's pocket and take out to read in those moments when we are free to let our minds wander where they will. I think we lose one of the great educational influences of our lives by tolerating so many waste hours when our wits are no where instead of employing them at such times in useful thought about Christ and those things which are thoroughly best in life.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Enc.

F.

July 30th,1903.

Mr. Charles D. Willis,
Juvenile Asylum,
Amsterdam Avenue and 177th St.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Willis:

Your note of the 27th, regarding the service on Monday afternoon August 10th, was received two days ago. I expect to be away from the city that month, and all those to whom I have spoken here are also unavailable. It is possible that my associate, Mr. Whitney, may be able to come, or send someone. He is away from the city now, but will be back to-morrow. I leave to-night, but I shall have a note waiting her for him, with the request that he inform you whether he can come or send someone.

Very cordially yours,

F.

July 30th, 1907.

Mr. Edward C. Gay,

Litchfield, Conn.

My dear Mr. Gay:

I received yesterday your note about Mr. VanDeusen and have made inquiries about him. Everything that I have heard has been favorable. I am told that he is the most popular of all the teachers in the Englewood School for Boys with the boys themselves, and that he is counted a very good teacher. Dr. Hamilton, our pastor, tells me that he came to our Church, but that he does not think he is a member of the Church. I called up Mr. Craig, to whom you wrote, to ask him is opinion. One of his assistants, Miss Platt, told me that he was away; that her own impressions of Mr. Van Deusen were very favorable, and that she had suggested to Mr. Craig that they should try to get him for this coming year.

The Principal of the School, when Mr. Van Deusen taught in it, was Mr. J. E. Parsons, now at Ridgewood, N. J. I think it would be well if you would consult him. I hardly think I got at enough evidence as to Mr. Van Deusen's personality to satisfy one.

Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Speer and the children and I are expecting to leave this evening for Diamond Pond, N. H., where we shall be for the month of August.

With warm regards to Mrs. Gay and yourself,

Very cordially Yours,

July 30th, 1903.

Mr. S. G. Campbell,
1421 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Charlie:

I enclose herewith the Young People's Notes for October 7th. I have been adding them, in order to fill in the figures on the second page. I have not yet heard from the Congregationalists, and as I expect to leave to-night for Camp Diamond I shall not wait for them.

Very affectionately yours,

Enc.

[illegible]

Lieutenant-Colonel C. S. Oldham, R.E.,

3 Kensington Park Gdns.,

London, W.11., England.

Dear Colonel Oldham:

Your exceedingly kind and helpful letter regarding [illegible] has been in just received. I am very much obliged to you for the interesting information which it contains. If any other [illegible] which I have been able to get, or you think of any other [illegible] information, would be most welcome. I should be grateful if you would let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

The Rev. Charles S. Mills, D.D.

Sunset Hill House,

[illegible], N.H.

My dear Mr. Mills:

Your kind letter is just received. I judge my other letter [illegible] about you. [illegible] requesting the information [illegible] Mr. [illegible] a [illegible] to my [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] as your [illegible], but [illegible] to it, that [illegible] very [illegible] [illegible] and as it was unnecessary to say anything on the subject, I [illegible] [illegible] the fact was not altogether satisfactory.

I have turned all the MS. over today to the publisher, with the exception of one paper, which needs a few additions.

It made me feel cool this hot day to see the heading of your letter. I hoped that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the white mountains.

Very cordially yours,

July 30,1938.

Miss Elizabeth L. Scott,
[illegible],
[illegible], N.Y.

My dear Miss Clark:

I enclose herewith my judgment for the Montgomery [illegible] [illegible], which I promised to send.

Very cordially yours,

August 11th, 1903.

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:-

I am instructed by Mr. Speer to reply to your letter to him of July 31st, that he will be able to come to Yale for Sunday, October the eighteenth, instead of a Sunday in November, as already promised.

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

August 11th, 1903.

Miss Margaret B. Coale,

Toms River, New Jersey.

Dear Miss Coale:-

Your note to Mr. Speer, and later the roll of material for his use in preparing the Sketch, have been received. Mr. Speer is absent on his vacation for a few weeks, and we are holding his mail for his return, so that unless he writes for me to send this material on to him, I shall take the liberty of keeping it safely here, for his use immediately upon his return, about September 1st.

Trusting that this will meet with your approval, I am,

Truly yours.

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August 12th, 1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by Mr. Speer, to forward to you the enclosed article, "Intending to Live".

Very truly yours,

September 2nd, 1903.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My Dear Dr. Miller:-

I got back to New York yesterday, but returned to the office only this morning, and have sent you a copy of a little sketch of Hadley Vicars, containing a picture of him.

I have now a good deal of material with reference to young Dr. Hodge, and a young man named Coale, who was a classmate of mine in college, and whose life illustrates what a boy can do against obstacles; and I shall write sketches of both of these. This will make thirteen in all, but I suppose you can use the thirteenth in the same way as you used the thirteenth article in the series on Young Man's Questions.

Thank you very much for the note from Mr. Anderson regarding the article on the young men. Forward certainly does provide a favorable approach to thousands of young men and women.

I hope you have had some real rest this summer, and that the work of the coming fall and winter may be the best we have ever had.

Did I suggest in writing some time ago with reference to a young man to assist you, the name of Gilbert Beaver? I was with him a little while this summer, and if he could be induced to take the work, I do not believe you could do better. His spirit and ability are all that you want, and his health is such that I think he might be induced to turn aside from the more trying forms of work in which he has been engaged, involving travel and movement, to take up work that he could do perfectly well physically. You know he is a son of Ex-Governor Beaver, and his wife is a daughter of the late Judge Simonton of Harrisburgh. Mr. Beaver's permanent address is 3 West 28th Street, N. Y. City.

Very affectionately yours,

September 2nd, 1903.

Mr. A. B. Cook,
Room 89, Drexel Building,
Wall & Broad Streets, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mr. Cook:-

Your note of August 4th was received and acknowledged in my absence. The address referred to I never made anywhere excepting at Carnegie Hall. If The Churchman doesn't use it, as I do not suppose it will, I wish Mr. McBee would donate the report of it to me.

With reference to Silver Bay, I suspect there were not any reports of the meetings there. It is not customary to issue a printed report, and I do not think the addresses or conversations are taken down.

I hope you had a pleasant summer.

Very cordially yours,

September 2nd, 1903.

Miss Margaret V. Cosle,

Toms River, N. J.

My Dear Miss Cosle:-

I got back to New York yesterday, and just this morning read your letter of August 4th and received the material for the little sketch of Isaac. I shall read it over as soon as possible. It is not too late, and I am sure from what you say in your letter, that what you have sent will furnish the material for just such a sketch as I wanted to write, and as will, I hope, help other boys to make as truly a success of their lives as Isaac made of his.

I will return all the letters and papers to you as soon as I have made extracts from them.

With warm regards to all.

Your sincere friend,

September 2nd, 1903.

Miss Lewis,

Diamond Pond, N. H.

My Dear Miss Lewis:-

I enclose herewith a time table, on which I have marked the train on which you and Miss Dillinger will take from Fabyan to New York. You see that it leaves Fabyan 8-30 in the evening, and it will be running until October the fifth. As I told you, you will have to engage your sleeping car berths from Mr. S. F. Gallagher at Fabyan. If your tickets read "via Coos Junction and Whitefield Junction and Wing Road on the Boston and Maine," you can, nevertheless, go around by Fabyan by paying only a little extra. You would have to pay the conductor on the train from Colebrook for the ride from Coos Junction to Fabyan, and you would probably have to buy a ticket from Fabyan to Wing Road, about fourteen miles. About this last, however, you should speak to the ticket agent in Fabyan when you get there. If you get your supper at the Fabyan House, you will have to pay one dollar for it. You might just as well take it with you and save that money. You could spend as much of the time as you wanted to between trains at Fabyan, by sitting in as comfortable a chair as you could find on the piazza.

We got home safely yesterday, although our train was three hours late in New York. We are all very happy and well rested to-day.

Please tell Miss Smith that I have asked Mr. Gallagher, the agent at Fabyan, to notify her of the sleeping car reservation for her.

I hope that everybody is well, and with warm regards to all, I am,

Your sincere friend,

September 2nd, 1903.

Mr. S. F. Gallagher,
Ticket Agent,
Fabyan, N. H.

Dear Sir:-

Will you kindly reserve a lower berth from Fabyan to New York, on the train leaving Fabyan 8-30 P. M., September 14th, for Miss F. E. Smith? And notify Miss Smith at Diamond Pond, via Colebrook, N. H. of the reservation made for her?

Very truly yours,

September 2nd, 1903.

Mr. Albert H. Plumb, Jr.,

Gill, Franklin County, Penna.

Dear Albert :-

I was away from New York last month, and only returned to my office this morning, and find here your good letter of August 6th. I sincerely appreciate your letter, and trust that the friendship formed long ago may reach far forward, and that from time to time, even though it may be infrequently, as in the past, we may have the chance of meeting. It was very good to get a glimpse of you at Northfield. Only I missed there, that which when we were students we used to have plenty of, - opportunity to wander and to talk with friends.

Very cordially yours,

September 21st, 1906.

Mr. Harry H. Wright,
[illegible] West 26th Street,
New York City.

My Dear Mr. Wright,-

Your kind note of August 31st came yesterday. I have been away for a month, and just got back to my office to-day. All my other associates are away except one, and he leaves this evening; so that I am not sure whether I shall be able to get out of the office here for the next few days. But if I can, I shall have pleasure in dropping in to see you.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Sept. 3d, 1903.

Miss Jean Mateer,
"The Western",
Oxford, Ohio.

My dear Jean:

I was very glad to receive yesterday on coming back to New York, after a vacation, your good letter of August 17th, and to hear of your expectation of entering Western this Fall. I remember visiting Western once a good many years ago and shall look forward with pleasure to the possibility of coming again some time, I hope while you are in College there.

I had not heard before of Mr. White's death, although I knew before going awat of his very serious illness. I am glad his suffering is over, but sympathize with the children in the death of a father. Judging from the character of his sons and daughters, he must have been a man of very superior character.

I think Mr. Laughlin is expecting to come back to America to marry Miss Boyd, the daughter of Mr. Oscar Boyd, formerly the Recording Secretary of the Board of Home Missions. When he is coming, however, I do not know.

I do not think Miss Doughton is cherishing any present expectation of being able to return soon to China. I wish she might go, but she has not been at all well and I do not think that either she or the doctor's here think that it was at all wise for her to think of going now.

Dr. Parks expects to remain at Wei Hsien after Dr. Dynon's arrival, but to take up the evangelistic work. She asked the Board to send out someone else for the medical work that she might give

herself to the evangelistic work among women in the country.

Thank you very much for the copy of your father's letter. I wish there were a hundred missionaries in China like him. We would see an immense advance in the work if there were a few others with his tireless energy and self-sacrifice.

I hope I may meet your cousin some time when I go down to Princeton this Fall.

With kind regards,

Your sincere friend,

P

Sept. 2nd, 1903.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Will:

I am sorry I shall not be able to get to Mt. Hermon on the 21st for the meetings of the Incorporators and Trustees of the School. Our Board meets that day, and as it will be either the first or second meeting in the Fall, after an interval of some weeks during the Summer, it will be impossible for me to be away.

We got back from Diamond Pond yesterday, having had a beautiful time. I hope that you and Mrs. Moody have had a good Summer and will get some rest now that the Conferences are over.

Very cordially yours,

Sept. 21, 1903

Mr. Harold Lester,
c/o Mr. Garges,
172 West 130th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Lester:

I wish you would come in some time while you are here in the city to see me. All the other officers of the Board are away now, so that it ties me pretty closely to the office or I should probably have come up to see you last evening instead of sending one of our men. I have known your father and grandfather before him for a good many years, and should like to have the opportunity of meeting you too, and whether the impression gained by your mother and expressed by her in her telegram is mistaken or not, I should like to have an opportunity of talking with you.

Very cordially yours,

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Sept. 2nd, 1903.

The Editors of the Sunday School Times,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sirs:

The poem to which you refer in your letter of August 26th was attributed, in the copy of it from which I was quoting, to Sam Walter Foss. Whether this was correct and who Mr. Foss is, I do not know. I saw it first on a slip printed by the Young Men's Christian Association of Riverside, California. On that slip the poem was attributed to Mr. Foss.

I enclose herewith the copy for the Young People's Column for November 29th and December 20th. This leaves, I think, only December 27th to complete the copy for the year. I shall send you the last copy shortly.

In one of my articles for the Young People's Column, I mentioned the amount of money out of each dollar given by the various churches for foreign missions. I omitted the figures for the Congregational Church, not having them in hand at the time. In case you desire to put them in, I think it would be safe to say that the Congregationalists give eight cents to foreign missions out of each dollar given in benevolences.

Very sincerely yours,

Encs.

F.

Sept. 3d, 1903.

The New York Sun,
170 Nassau Street,
New York City,

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly discontinue sending my copy of "The Sun" to Diamond Pond, N. H. and resume sending it to the old address, Englewood, New Jersey.

Very sincerely yours,

Rob. Pelton

Sept. 3d, 1903.

Mrs. H. T. Pitkin,
328 Grant Street,
T r o y , Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Pitkin:

Your kind note of September 1st, with the photograph of Horace is just received. Revell is not ready yet for the Frontispiece. Indeed, I have not yet seen any of the proof, although I left all the manuscript, with the exception of the second chapter with him before I went away and sent the second chapter from Diamond Pond.

In revising the second chapter further, I cut out some more of the references to Horace's imagined "unpopularity in the class".

We had a very good Summer, and came back very well and happy I am glad that little Horace is enjoying the book of songs and hope that he may some time come with you to visit us.

With kind regards,

Your sincere friend,

Rose Bolton

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